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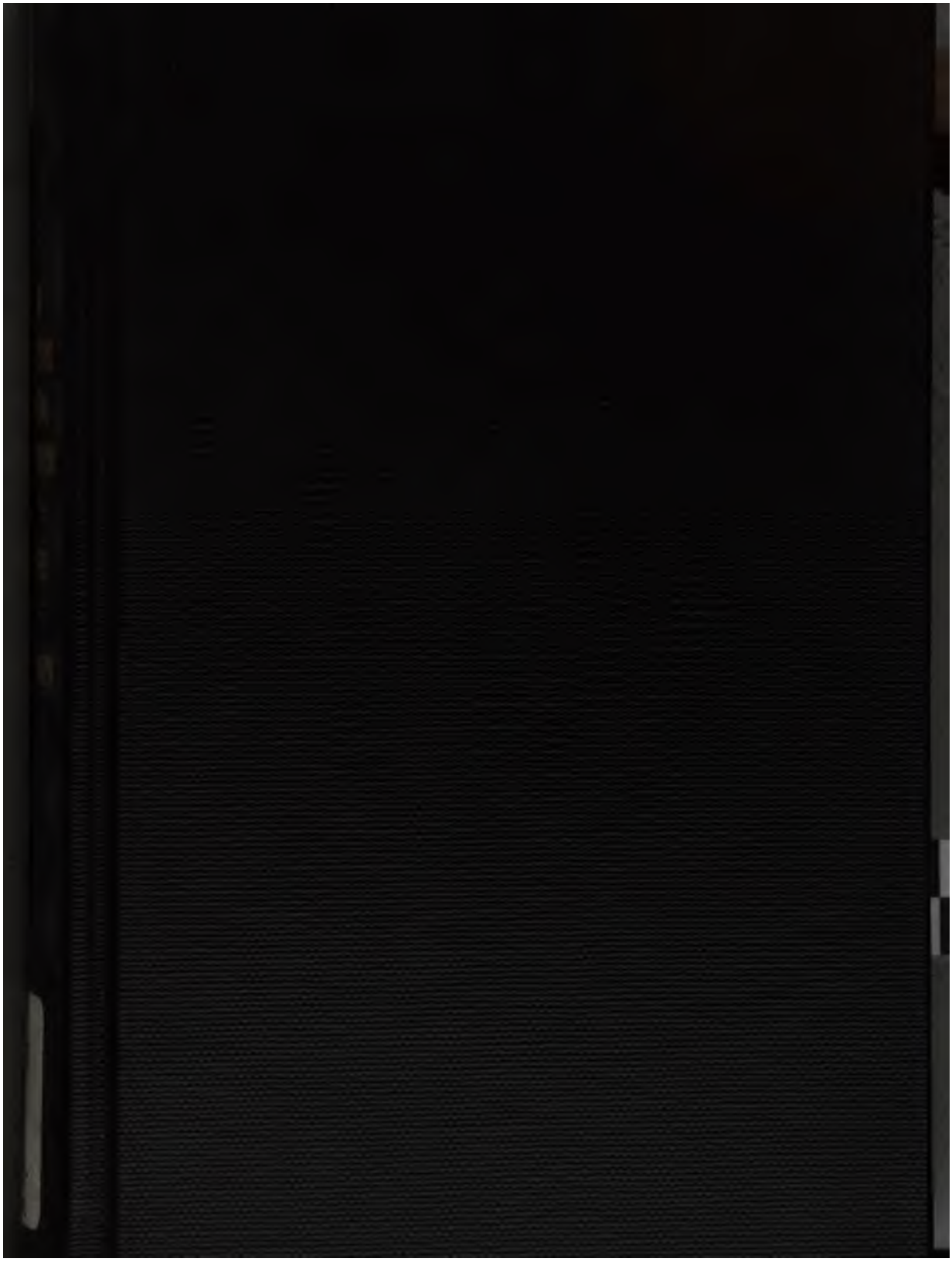

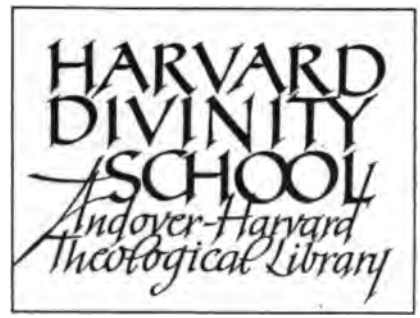
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OF THE

GENERAL ASSOCIATION

OF

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HELD AT

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APPOINTMENTS AND OFFICERS FOR THE SESSION OF 1876.

SECRETARY,

REV. FRANKLIN D. AYER, *Concord.*

STATISTICAL SECRETARY AND TREASURER,

REV. SAMUEL L. GEROULD, *Goffstown.*

ANNUAL MEETING at Littleton, September 11, 12, 13 and 14, 1876, *commencing Monday evening, September 11th.*

PREACHER OF OPENING SERMON to be appointed.

PREACHER BEFORE THE SACRAMENT, Rev. Cyrus Richardson, Keene, Primary; Rev. Levi Rodgers, Claremont, Substitute.

COMMITTEE OF NOMINATIONS, Rev. Daniel E. Adams, Wilton; Rev. Charles E. Milliken, Littleton; Rev. Ephraim E. P. Abbott, Newport.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS, Rev. Charles E. Milliken, Littleton; Rev. Charles E. Harrington, Lancaster; Dea. N. C. Farr.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION. 1. On Conformity to the World, Rom. XII: 2. The Relation and Duty of the Ministry and professed Christians to the prevailing spirit of Worldliness, *especially the fashionable amusements and recreations of society.* Rev. Daniel E. Adams, Wilton, Primary; Rev. Charles E. Harrington, Lancaster, Substitute.

2. The Place and Importance of the Sabbath School work in the church. Rev. George H. Scott, Plymouth, Primary; Rev. Moses T. Runnels, Sanbornton, Substitute.

3. The Duty and Limit of the Church's watch over its members. Rev. Charles M. Palmer, Meriden, Primary; Rev. James T. Jackson, Cornish, Substitute.

4. How shall the more general observance of the Sabbath be enforced? Rev. John L. Merrill, Marlboro', Primary; Rev. George H. Morss, Henniker, Substitute.

COUNTY CONFERENCES.

Name.	Clerk, Statistical Scribe and Treasurer.	Place of Meeting 1876.	Time of Meeting June 1876.	Assessment. $300.00
Cheshire,	Rev. John L. Merrill.	Marlboro',	2d Wednesd'y.	$36.00
Coos,	Rev. Albert E. Hall.	Dalton,	2d Tuesday.	7.00
Grafton,	Rev. Q. Blakely, S. S. Dea. Isaac Willard, C. & T.		2d Tuesday.	31.00
Hillsboro',	Rev. Geo. Dustan, S. S. Rev. C. L. Hubbard, C. & T.	Peterboro',	2d Tuesday.	85.00
Merrimack,	Rev. S. Leroy Blake.	Boscawen,	2d Tuesday.	43.00
Rockingham,	Rev. Edward Robie.	Atkinson,	2d Tuesday.	50.00
Strafford,	Rev. Moses T. Runnels.	Alton,	2d Tuesday.	32.00
Sullivan,	Rev. Geo. W. Kinne.	Meriden,	2d Tuesday.	16.00

CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

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1. NAME. This body shall be called the GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

II. MEMBERS. This Association shall be composed of delegates from the several District Associations of Ministers, and Conferences of Churches, in the following proportions: namely, one minister for every three members of an Association, and one layman for every three churches belonging to a Conference; and also of the officers, preachers and committees for the year for which they are chosen, the delegates who the preceding year fulfilled their appointments in person, the persons appointed to prepare essays and lead in discussions, the Secretaries and Treasurers of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, the New-Hampshire Bible Society, the New-Hampshire Education Society, and the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund, a representation of the Faculty of Dartmouth College, and the minister of the church with which the Association meets. Twelve members shall constitute a quorum. All other ministers and members of the churches connected with the Association, who may be present, shall be considered as corresponding members, with the right to speak and serve on committees, but not to vote.

III. FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES. 1. It is ever to be understood that the system of Scripture doctrine contained in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism is the basis of our union in this Association. Hence every Association and every Conference in this State, receiving these doctrines as the Christian faith, is invited to unite in this body.

2. This General Association wholly disclaims ecclesiastical power or authority over the churches, or the opinions of individuals.

3. The essential objects of the Association are "to promote brotherly intercourse and harmony, and our mutual animation, assistance and usefulness as ministers and churches of Christ; to obtain religious information relative to the state of our particular churches, and the general state of the Christian church in this country and throughout the world; and to co-operate with other similar institutions in the most eligible measures for building up the cause of truth and holiness."

IV. MEETING AND ORGANIZATION. 1. This Association shall meet annually, on the Tuesday after the second Sabbath of September, at ten o'clock A. M., in such place as shall be designated at the preceding meeting, and notified by the Secretary, and be opened with a sermon.

2. At the close of this service the preacher shall take the chair, and preside until a moderator is chosen. The Secretary shall receive the certificates of delegates, and report the names of members; when the Association shall be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an Assistant Scribe, by ballot.

V. PERMANENT OFFICERS AND STATISTICS. 1. The permanent officers of this Association shall be a Secretary and Statistical Secretary, each to be chosen by ballot for the term of three years from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made.

2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of this body, prepare an outline of business, preserve schedules and narratives of the state of religion, conduct the correspondence of this body, and notify all delegates to foreign bodies of their appointment, with the time and places of meeting of the bodies to which they are appointed.

3. It shall be the duty of the Statistical Secretary to procure the statistics of the churches, and narratives of the state of religion, through the Statistical Scribes of the several Conferences, complete and arrange them for publication, and prepare from these several reports a narrative of the state of religion, to be read before the Association and published in the minutes. He shall superintend their printing, and be a member of the Publishing Committee. The Statistical Secretary shall be the Treasurer of the Association, and be empowered to receive and pay out such sums of money as the body may direct.

4. These Secretaries shall be allowed their expenses for correspondence and attendance on the meetings of this body.

5. Each Conference connected with this body is requested to appoint a Statistical Scribe, to collect the statistics of the churches within its bounds, in methods designated by this body, and under the direction of the Statistical Secretary of the General Association. In case any Conference shall fail to appoint such a scribe prior to the first day of May, the Statistical Secretary may designate some person to act in this capacity for the year.

6. The statistical returns, with respect to the number in the churches, shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers at the end of the statistical year, which shall commence with the first of June.

VI. VACANCIES. In case of the decease of either one of the permanent officers, or his removal from the State, the duties of his office shall devolve upon his associate.

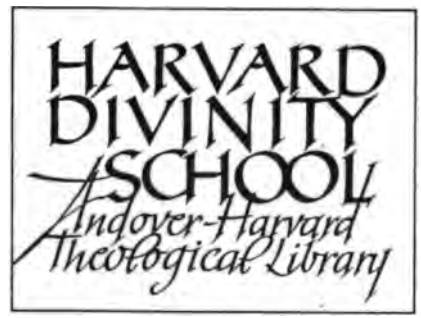
VII. COMMITTEES. 1. At each meeting of the Association a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, of which the minister of the church with which the Association is to meet shall be chairman, shall be appointed for the succeeding meeting, who shall prepare and arrange the business of the session, including the selection of the preacher of the opening sermon; and no business shall be introduced without their consent. But if the committee shall decline presenting any item of business requested by a member, he may appeal from their decision to the Association.

2. At each meeting shall be chosen a Committee of Inquiry, consisting of three, to report during the session, whose duties shall be as follows:

(*a*) To designate three questions of religious doctrine or practice, one of which shall relate to the interests of Sabbath Schools, for the consideration of the Association, and to nominate three persons, with substitutes, to lead the discussion on each of these topics, who shall carefully prepare themselves for this duty, and shall be allowed ten minutes each; to be followed by a general discussion, speakers limited to five minutes each.

(*b*) To designate some topic, respecting ecclesiastical polity and usage, or missionary and educational enterprises, and to nominate one person, with substitute, to prepare a carefully written essay, not to exceed twenty minutes, to be subject to the subsequent remark of the Association.

3. There shall also be a standing Committee of Nominations, consisting of three persons, so constituted that one member shall go out each year in rotation, whose duty it shall be to make all nominations not otherwise provided for. This committee shall elect a chairman, who shall keep a record of all appointments made by the Association.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strength of the churches belonging to each; and the Treasurer of each Conference shall be responsible to the Treasurer of the General Association for the amount so assessed.

XII. AMENDMENTS. Any of the foregoing articles, except the fundamental rules, may be amended or annulled at a regular meeting of this body in which two thirds of the Associations and Conferences are represented, by a majority of the members voting.

MINUTES.

The General Association of New-Hampshire met for its sixty-sixth annual meeting at Claremont, in the Congregational Church, Sept. 7th, 1875, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Swift Byington, of Exeter. Text, John XII: 24. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit."

Subject: The Reproductive Power of Death.

After the sermon the Association was called to order by the preacher.

The following persons were enrolled as members:

DELEGATES FROM DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

Belknap—Rev. George I. Bard, Rev. Joshua S. Gay.

Derry and Manchester—Rev. Jesse Page, Rev. Charles Packard, Rev. Charles Tenney.

Harmony—Rev. S. Girard Norcross.

Hollis—Rev. Bela N. Seymour, Rev. Sereno D. Clark, Rev. Rufus P. Wells, Rev. William Clark, D.D., Rev. Geo. F. Merriam.

Hopkinton—Rev. George H. Morss, Rev. Matthew A. Gates, Rev. Henry A. Kendall, Rev. Howard Moody, Rev. Theodore C. Pratt.

Monadnock—Rev. Rufus Case, Rev. Mark Gould, Rev. Charles N. Flanders, Rev. Cyrus Richardson.

Orange—Rev. Charles E. Harrington, Rev. Edward Cleveland.

Piscataqua—Rev. Geo. B. Spalding, Rev. William A. Rand, Rev. Thomas V. Haines, Rev. Edward Robie, Rev. Stephen W. Webb.

Sullivan—Rev. James T. Jackson, Rev. Geo. W. Kinne.

Union—Rev. Geo. Dustan, Rev. Henry F. Campbell.

DELEGATES FROM CONFERENCES.

Cheshire—A. B. Skinner, Keene; Joseph M. Wood, East Alstead; E. C. Aldrich, Walpole.

Grafton—Dr. John Child, Bath; Dea. Isaac Willard, Orford; Dea. D. C. Churchill, Lyme; Dea. Asa W. Fellows.

Hillsborough—Dea. Alvin Hadley, Goffstown; Dea. W. H. Conant, Mont Vernon; Dea. James H. Collins, Peterboro'.

Merrimack—Allen Folger, Concord; Dea. Horace Childs, Henniker; Dea. C. W. Harvey, Concord.

Rockingham—Dea. J. R. Leavitt, North Hampton; Dea. John Stavers, Portsmouth; Dea. Joseph Dow, Hampton; Chas. R. Rowe, Candia.

Strafford—Dea. Chas. F. Parker, Wolfeboro'.

Sullivan—Dea. Levi Harthon, Washington; George Demming, Cornish.

MEMBERS EX-OFFICIO.

Preachers—Rev. Swift Byington, Exeter; Rev. W. Carlos Martyn, Portsmouth.

Secretary.—Rev. Franklin D. Ayer, Concord.

Statistical Secretary—Rev. Samuel L. Gerould, Goffstown.

Secretaries of Benevolent Societies—Rev. Edward H. Greeley, Rev. S. Leroy Blake, Rev. William R. Jewett.

Committee of Arrangements—Rev. Levi Rodgers, Claremont; Rev. Ephraim E. P. Abbott, Newport; Hon. E. L. Goddard, Claremont.

Committee of Nominations—Rev. Daniel E. Adams, Wilton; Rev. Charles E. Milliken, Littleton.

Essayists—Rev. Albert B. Peabody, Rev. Geo. E. Street, Rev. William F. Bacon, A. Burton Palmer.

Dartmouth College—Rev. Asa D. Smith, D.D.

Rev. George B. Spalding, of Dover, was chosen Moderator; Rev. Ephraim E. P. Abbott, of Newport, Scribe; Rev. Charles E. Harrington, of Lancaster, Assistant Scribe.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

2.30 *o'clock.* Singing. Prayer by Rev. Rufus Case.

The Narrative of the State of Religion was read by Rev. Samuel L. Gerould.

Prayer by Rev. Jesse Page.

Remarks by Bro. Allen Folger, and Rev. Edward H. Greeley.

Reminiscences were given of deceased members: Rev. W. Clark, D.D., speaking of Rev. Alvan Tobey, D.D., and of Rev. John K. Young, D.D.; and Rev. Dr. Bouton speaking of Rev. John K. Young, D.D.

Singing: "Let saints below in concert sing."

Rev. Edward H. Greeley, delegate to National Council, reported.

Rev. Edward Robie, delegate to Andover Theological Seminary, reported.

Claims of the New-Hampshire Bible Society were presented by Rev. S. Leroy Blake and Dea. Wm. G. Brown.

The Congregational Publishing Society was represented by Rev. Asa Bullard, D.D.

Prayer by Rev. W. Carlos Martyn.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY EVENING.

7.30 *o'clock.* Singing.

Prayer by Rev. Silvanus Hayward.

Rev. George Dustan, Bro. Allen Folger and Rev. Elijah Harmon were appointed Committee of Inquiry.

Rev. Ephraim E. P. Abbott was elected a member of the Committee of Nominations.

Singing.

Rev. Albert B. Peabody read an essay on the topic, "What is the Duty of our Churches in view of the Corruptions in Public Life?"

The essay was discussed by Rev. Bela N. Seymour, Rev. Lewis Grout, Rev. Stephen W. Webb, Dea. J. R. Leavitt and Rev. Wm. A. Rand.

After singing, and benediction by Rev. Dr. Bouton, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Prayer-meeting from 8 o'clock to 9 o'clock, led by Rev. George F. Chapin.

9 *o'clock.* Singing.

Prayer by Rev. George I. Bard.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we endorse the work entitled, "The Churches and Ministry of New-Hampshire," compiled by Rev. Henry A. Hazen, that we request Rev. Dr. Cushing to publish the same in pamphlet form, and that we recommend the churches to purchase it.

Voted: That the number of Minutes for the next year be left to the discretion of the Statistical Secretary.

Voted: That three thousand copies of the Narrative of the State of Religion for next year be printed.

Rev. Dr. Bouton addressed the Association in reference to the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund.

Voted: That the report of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund be printed with the Minutes of the Association.

The claims of the American Bible Society were presented by Rev. W. H. Gilbert.

Dea. G. A. Shelton spoke of Systematic Beneficence.

The Nominating Committee recommended Littleton as the place of next meeting. Adopted.

Voted: That the opening sermon of the next meeting of the Association be delivered on Monday evening, and that the other exercises follow in their regular order.

Voted: That under Article VIII of the Constitution, the words "Anniversary of the New-Hampshire Branch of the Education Society, including" be stricken out and the "3, P. M." following, be changed to "2½."

Singing.

Discussion of the following question: What are the best methods for securing the Conversion and Christian training of Children? Opened by Rev. A. Burton Palmer, of Weare. Discussed by Rev. John Bragdon, Rev. Stephen W. Webb, Bro. John Stavers, Rev. Wm. A. Rand, Rev. Stephen S. N. Greeley,

D.D., Rev. Charles E. Milliken, Bro. Allen Folger, Rev. Charles E. Harrington, Rev. Silvanus Hayward, Rev. Wm. F. Bacon, Rev. Charles Packard.

After singing, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

2 *o'clock.* Prayer by Rev. Charles C. Watson.

Voted: To raise three hundred dollars to meet the expenses of the Association for the ensuing year.

Voted: That, in the absence of the Auditor of the Treasurer's Report, Dea. C. W. Harvey act as Auditor.

Rev. Dr. Gulick, of Spain, addressed the Association in behalf of the American Board.

The following resolutions were presented and adopted:

Resolved, That, while this body endorses the action of the American Board in undertaking missionary work in Papal lands, we believe that this work is imperilled by presenting it to the churches as a distinct and seperate issue, different from, and not a part of, its legitimate work; therefore,

Resolved, That this body respectfully suggests to the Board the expediency of going to the churches with *one* appeal, to cover the *whole* work on its hands; believing that the work in Papal lands does not differ, in its demands upon the prayers and gifts of the churches, from the work in either Heathen or other nominally Christian lands.

Resolved, That the Congregational churches in New-Hampshire, in General Association assembled, constituents of the Board, loving its work and praying for its success, and giving to this end of their substance, not in a spirit of dictation, but of suggestion, respectfully ask the attention of the Board to the matter mentioned in the foregoing resolves, and that the clerk of this body be instructed to forward an attested copy of these resolutions to the Honorable President of the Board at its session in Chicago next October, 1875.

Rev. Dr. Cushing presented the cause of the American Congregational Union.

Discussion: What is the Christian Duty regarding Demitting the Ministry? Opened by Rev. George E. Street, of Exeter;

followed by Rev. Henry A. Kendall, Rev. Mr. Seabury, Rev. Franklin D. Ayer, Rev. Silvanus Hayward, Rev. Caleb Cushing, D.D., Rev. Jesse Page, Rev. Albert B. Peabody, Rev. Edward H. Greeley and Rev. Asa D. Smith, D.D.

Rev. Dr. Smith, President of Dartmouth College, reported its religious condition.

After prayer by Rev. C. N. Flanders, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

7 *o'clock.* Singing by choir.

Prayer by Rev. Charles E. Milliken.

The Committee of Inquiry reported the following questions and disputants for next year:

1. On conformity to the World. Romans XII: 2. The Relation and Duty of the Ministry and Professed Christians to the prevailing Spirit of Worldliness, *especially the Fashionable Amusements and Recreations of Society.*

Rev. D. E. Adams, *Primary;* Rev. C. E. Harrington, *Substitute.*

2. The Place and Importance of the Sabbath School Work in the Church. *Primary*, Rev. G. H. Scott; *Substitute*, Rev. M. T. Runnels.

3. The Duty and Limit of the Church's Watch over its Members. *Primary*, Rev. C. M. Palmer; *Substitute*, Rev. J. T. Jackson.

4. How shall the more general observance of the Sabbath be enforced? *Primary*, Rev. J. L. Merrill; *Substitute*, Rev. G. H. Morss.

The report was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Statistical Secretary be directed to call next year for a report of the amount of money contributed by the churches of the State, for each of the benevolent causes under the control of our denomination, with an additional column for miscellaneous objects, and another for parish expenses, and present the same in a tabulated form, in the Minutes of 1876.

Rev. William R. Jewett presented the Report of the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund.

After remarks by Rev. Dr. Smith, a contribution was taken for this object, amounting to $87.65.

Singing.

Discussion of the question, How shall more Loyalty be secured among our church members, in sustaining and extending the Principles of our Denomination? Opened by Rev. William F. Bacon, and followed by Rev. A. Burton Palmer and Rev. Wm. A. Rand.

Rev. Dr. Smith introduced the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That we have observed with great interest the operations of the New-Hampshire Young Men's Christian Association during the past year; and that, in view of the wisdom, earnestness and fidelity which have marked those movements, and the evident blessing of God upon them, the Association be commended to the sympathy and co-operation of our pastors and churches.

After singing, adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING.

Prayer-meeting from 8 to 8.30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Elijah Harmon, of Winchester.

8.30 *o'clock*. Business meeting. Prayer by Rev. William Clark, D.D.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The following resolutions were presented and adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be extended to the United States and Canada Express, through their agent, N. White, Esq., Concord; and that the Secretary of this Association be instructed to communicate this vote to Mr. White.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be, and are hereby, extended to the people of Claremont for their kind and generous hospitality; to Rev. Levi Rodgers, Hon. E. L. Goddard, Deâ. C. N. Goss and others, for their careful provision for the meetings of the Association; and to the several Railroad Companies which have reduced their fares.

The Committee on Noninations reported:

Preacher before the Sacrament, next year, Primary—Rev. Cryus Richardson; *Substitute*—Rev. Levi Rodgers.

Delegate to Andover Theological Seminary, Primary—Rev. George Dustan; *Substitute*—Rev. George B. Spalding.

Committee of Arrangements—Rev. Charles E. Milliken, Rev. Charles E. Harrington, Dea. N. C. Farr.

Adopted.

Minutes were read and approved.

9 *o'clock.* Anniversary of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society.

Voted: That at the close of the Communion Service, the Association adjourn to meet in Littleton, the Monday after the second Sabbath in September, 1876.

The Secretary announced that he had received a communication from the Editor of *The Golden Rule*, inviting communications and notices from the churches of New-Hampshire.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

2 *o'clock.* The sermon before the communion was by Rev. W. Carlos Martyn, Portsmouth. Text, Matt. V: 8. "Blessed are they that do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled."

Rev. Edward Robie and Rev. William Clark, D.D., officiated at the table.

Adjourned.

GEO. B. SPALDING, *Moderator.*

E. E. P. ABBOTT, *Scribe.*

C. E. HARRINGTON, *Assistant Scribe.*

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

It is seldom we have the privilege of coming together in this annual meeting bearing such glad tidings from the churches as we do this year. The dullness of the times, of which business men complain, has had its compensation in the increase of interest in religion. From nearly all parts of the State we have heard during the year of the presence of the Holy Spirit, as manifested in the quickening of Christians and the conversion of the impenitant; so that, doubtless, we all feel to-day like "taking the cup of salvation in our hands and calling upon the name of the Lord."

We give the report of the Conferences in their order.

CHESHIRE CONFERENCE.

By the consolidation of the two churches in Westmoreland, this Conference reports one less church than last year, viz: twenty-five, of which five are unsupplied with the regular preaching of the Word. The union in Westmoreland should be a cause for rejoicing. The churches came together cordially, promised to forget past difficulties, and settled a pastor, to whom they are warmly attached. They worship in each meeting-house on alternate Sabbaths. A healthy spiritual feeling has already begun to show itself as one result of this union.

Ministerial Changes. While Walpole has lost its pastor, Rev. W. E. Dickinson, East Jaffrey and Westmoreland have each gained one, Rev. W. H. Dowden, late of Lunenburg, Ms., coming as acting pastor to the former, and Rev. Charles N. Flanders, from Andover Seminary, as pastor to the latter.

Revivals. Fitzwilliam reports an entensive work of grace, such as has not been known there for years, if ever, before. There had been a growing interest for some time, and when members of the Young Men's Christian Association, in the canvass of the State, visited them, the Holy Spirit was poured out in power, and a large number have since been converted. "Two characteristics of this revival were, union in effort and great faith in prayer." The pastor at Harrisville says: "The past year has been one of more than usual spiritual interest. The year 1874 was one continued harvest season for Zion. The work of the Spirit pervaded all classes and all ages. Thirty-six united with the church by profession during the year, and twenty-five from January to June. Jaffrey Centre, weakened by emigration, has been greatly strengthened and encouraged by the conversion of twelve or more persons. East Jaffrey has also shared in the blessing, some forty-five having united with the church during the year.

In Keene there has been no unusual interest. At the beginning of the winter the evangelical churches united in a series of extra meetings under the leadership of Rev. Mr. Fowler, the Evangelist. He labored faithfully, and there was a good, united feeling between the ministers and church members, but no marked results followed, though the churches were left in a healthy condition. Twelve or fifteen have been added to each of the two churches during the year. A number of lay workers from the different evangelical churches have been out into neighboring towns on week-day evenings and frequently on the Sabbath, and held meetings with very encouraging results. In Marlboro' there have been twenty-two additions to the church during the year, and others are soon to join. Prosperity in spiritual things has increased the benevolent contributions, besides giving an impetus to outward improvement at home, as is indicated by the building of a chapel. Rindge has been in a prosperous condition, both temporally and spiritually. Weekly offerings upon the Sabbath have increased the contributions of the church forty per cent. Swanzey reports the adding of nine members the first Sabbath in May, with others to follow. Gilsum and Nelson speak of indications of interest in the winter, but cold weather

and snow storms prevented the gathering of the people, so there were no marked results.

In Alstead the first and second churches unite in the support of a pastor, who preaches one sermon each Sabbath in each house, three miles apart. The experiment has been an entire success. They are looking for a harvest. The third church in Alstead unite with the church in Langdon in the support of a pastor, and an increase in spirituality and contributions is reported. Stoddard is supplied in connection with Washington, and an increased interest is manifested. Sullivan has received the gift of a parsonage from a deceased member, also the gift of a communion set.

The intelligence from this county is very gratifying. Rev. Mr. Richardson, who reports these churches, says: "The women's societies, that have been formed as auxiliary to the American Board, have evidently been a decided help in giving an impulse, not only to the benevolences, but to the general interest in religion." He further says that if he "should point out any one thing especially prominent, giving a characteristic to the condition of the churches for the year, it would be 'much prayer.'"

COOS CONFERENCE.

It is hard to part company with an old friend, when you know that friend has not long to live, and yet it is sometimes best to do it. So it is unpleasant to drop from the sisterhood of churches one that has long walked with us, as it has been thought best to do in the case of Franconia. Other churches have been reduced as low, and are still retained because of some hopeful feature with regard to the future. In the case of this church these signs are wanting. We part company, however, leaving the surviving members in good hands, the Free Baptist occupying the ground. Their polity and doctrine so nearly correspond to our own, there can be little difficulty in their union.

Ministerial Changes. West Stewartstown has lost its faithful, young minister, Rev. J. W. Starr, and in his death the church has sustained a great loss. He had the rare privilege of uniting this people as they have not been united for years. The prospect of the future was bright, but in the midst of the

light there was darkness. What purpose God has in removing one so young and promising we cannot see, but we can safely leave it with Him. The church in Chatham is supplied by a lay preacher.

Revivals. Dalton reports more than usual prosperity, though it can hardly be said it has enjoyed a revival. The same is true of Colebrook, Littleton, and West Stewartstown, in all of which places there have been several conversions. But Lancaster has been wonderfully refreshed. The pastor writes: "Three special revival efforts have been made during the year, and all have resulted in good. The last, beginning with the visit of the delegates of the Young Men's Christian Association, was especially precious. Men, women and children were then seen yielding to the strivings of the Spirit. Twenty-five have united with this church and many others are indulging a hope. External prosperity has kept pace with the spiritual. The demand for more money than usual has been cheerfully meet by the people."

A parsonage is to be built in Lancaster, while Dalton is rejoicing in a remodeled church edifice and a repaired parsonage.

"The past winter was one of unusual severity, and the roads, in this county, were often blocked with snow, thus rendering the usual meetings following the Week of Prayer impracticable. This was felt to be a hinderance, though it was well known that He who giveth the snow doeth all things well. Notwithstanding the obstacles, most of the churches have seemed to grow in grace, not only the grace of receiving but the grace of giving. The contributions of the churches have been increased by nearly forty-five per cent. over last year." The development of the lay element in the churches is spoken of as followed with blessed results.

GRAFTON CONFERENCE.

A church of twelve members was formed in Monroe, Aug. 18, 1874, from which no report has been received at the time of going to press, but otherwise the churches of this Conference remain in number as last year, though Bridgewater and Thornton have scarcely more than a name to live.

Ministerial Changes. Rev. Mr. Ketchum, who has served so

faithfully at Bristol for nine years, Rev. Mr. Carter, who had labored at Orfordville five years, and Rev. Mr. Hibbard, at Wentworth four years, have all left these places and the churches are supplied with Rev. Messrs. Moore, Child and Pierce, respectively. Enfield has engaged Mr. Francis Parker, a recent graduate from Andover, who had previously done some faithful missionary work in the State. The old church in Lyme is rejoicing in a settled pastor, Rev. E. P. Butler. He had supplied this church for several months as licentiate, but was installed in October.

Revivals. "The last year has been a memorable one in the history of the church at Dartmouth College," reports its pastor. "Signs of unusual religious interest appeared before the end of the first college term, in December, and neighborhood prayer-meetings were instituted in the village, which were continued during the vacation. On the re-assembling of the college, in February, the interest extended and deepened; and a series of meetings, held with the church by representatives of the New-Hampshire Young Men's Christian Association in early April, added much to its volume, especially among the people of the village. This interest continued till about the middle of June. It was marked by the number of neighborhood prayer-meetings. held almost every evening, and often in two or three places the same evening, and by the very large attendance upon them; by the extraordinary attendance upon the church prayer and conference meetings, which compelled the use of the church building for these all; by daily prayer-meetings among the students, and by the extreme quietness of the work." It is hoped that forty were truly converted, while many blacksliding professors of religion were brought back into the fold. Thirty-one were added to the church during the year reported, while nine have since been received, and others are soon to join.

Thirteen have united with the church in Plymouth by profession, and, in addition to this, there has been quite a religious interest in the Normal school. These converts unite with the church at their homes. In Orford there appears to have been a very healthy growth. "One preaching service on the Sabbath has been given up with good results." "More of the devotional

element has been introduced into the Sunday School; religious papers, rather than books have been provided for the school." "A young people's prayer-meeting has been formed, which is fully attended and very encouraging." Campton and Danbury have been prospered, and the outlook is very encouraging.

Last year Enfield was reported as making a vigorous effort to provide a place of worship. This church is now rejoicing in a meeting-house of its own, upon which $4000 has been expended. In the lower story a tenement has been fitted up which rents for $75 per year, and will be used as a parsonage if desired.

HILLSBOROUGH CONFERENCE

Reports the same number of churches as last year. But it is very gratifying to be able to state that there is a fair prospect of one being soon added to the sisterhood. A Congregational church was formed in Weare in 1789, which had an existence of only about twenty years. In South Weare the Free Baptist rather claimed the ground, though it would be difficult to say upon what the claim was based. There were a few Christian people here, that mourned because Zion so languished, and yet there was not strength enough among them to support regular Sabbath services for any length of time. The way being thus opened, and the little band on the ground, composed not only of Christians but of business men who had never made a profession but who saw that religion was a necessary part of true prosperity, being ready to help carry forward the undertaking, Mr. A. B. Palmer, a lay preacher, was sent there by the Missionary Society last Autumn. He has labored most faithfully. Besides preaching on the Sabbath and superintending a Sabbath School, he goes out to hold meetings on Sabbath evenings in neighboring school-houses. The result has been several conversions, the formation of a Congregational society, raising of means with which to build a church edifice, and the prospect of the formation of a church at no very remote period.

Ministerial Changes. The acting pastor at Greenfield, Rev. S. H. Partridge, has been laid aside from work several months from ill health, and Rev. D. N. Goodrich has taken his place temporarily. After twenty-five years of faithful service in

Hancock, and forty-nine years in the ministery, Rev. A. Bigelow has resigned his charge. We can say of him, and we have no doubt the Lord will say of him, by and by, "Well done, good and faithful servant." His place has been supplied by Rev. T. C. Pratt. Rev. J. Bragdon has left Hillsborough Bridge, and Rev. N. J. Jones, Lyndeboro', and these churches are now without pastors. Hollis has installed Rev. H. L. Kelsey as pastor, who comes to us from the Methodists. Nashua, Olive St., receives Rev. S. S. Martyn as pastor, and New Ipswich Rev. B. N. Seymour as acting pastor. Manchester, Franklin St., has lost, and the State has lost, Rev. W. J. Tucker, D.D., who has gone to the Madison Square Presbyterian church in New York City. Very rarely has one in so few years accomplished so much in a church, or obtained so large an influence in a State as has Mr. Tucker. We have no doubt he will be as successful wherever he goes. This church with great unanimity have called Rev. Washington Choate, and it is hoped that he will accept. This example of so speedily uniting upon a pastor is one that other churches might safely follow.

Revivals. Very refreshing has been the work of the Spirit in this Conference, nearly one third of the churches having enjoyed revivals. The pastor at Bedford says: "Delegates from the State Young Men's Christian Association and from the Boston Presbytery visited us in the winter and a glorious work of grace followed, with fifty hopeful conversions. Several heads of families are numbered among the converts." Twenty-seven were added to the church by profession, and many others are soon expected. Members of the local Young Men's Christian Association hold neighborhood meetings with good results, reaching many non-attendants at church. Bennington, also, rejoices in a work of grace. "The church prepared for the coming of the representatives of the Young Men's Christian Association by much prayer, and at their coming the fruit of the Spirit began to be manifested at once. Among the converts were two men upwards of seventy years of age, who had long been useful members of the society. Thirteen have been received into the church by profession." Goffstown has been refreshed as never before. Upwards of eighty have expressed a hope that

they have found Christ. Fifty-eight have been received to the church. Seventy of the converts are between the ages of twenty and thirty-five. This blessing followed the visit of the delegates of the Young Men's Christian Association. The young men's prayer-meeting, sometimes attended by upwards of fifty, has been the means of great good. Greenfield also shared in the blessing, twenty or more rejoicing in a new found hope. The labors of the representatives of the Young Men's Christian Association are gratefully recognized. Almost precisely the same report comes from Hancock. The two Congregational churches in Manchester entered into a union movement with the other evangelical churches in the city during the winter, and this was followed by a great refreshing. Hanover St. Church has received sixty-eight by profession, and Franklin St. Church ninety. Nearly all the latter are said to be from the Sabbath School. Merrimack, too, has enjoyed a revival. When the afternoon preaching service was given up this church seemed to take on new life. The work of grace has been very quiet, but no less powerful on this account.

The three churches of Nashua are rejoicing with joy unspeakable in what the Lord has done for them. Union meetings were held in the autumn by all the evangelical churches for three weeks, and then Rev. E. P. Hammond was invited to labor among them. The interest took a more decided form at once. The work reached all classes and ages, but especially the children and youth. The three churches report two hundred seventy additions during the year, of which two hundred two were by profession. Peterboro' reported a revival at the close of last year. This interest continued during the summer, autumn and winter, there being conversions every month. The pastor, Rev. George Dustan, was laid aside by sickness for two months, but his people with a little outside help carried on all the meetings during this time, including the Sabbath services. The meetings held by the executive committee of the Young Men's Christian Association are referred to as being blessed to the quickening of the church. Much work, with blessed results, is done by the local Young Men's Christian Association in outlying neighborhoods. Some more than usual interest, but hard-

ly amounting to a revival, is reported from Amherst, Antrim (thirteen added to the church by profession), Brookline, Mont Vernon, Milford and Wilton.

Amherst not only has the longest settled pastor but one in the State, but must have had, until recently, the oldest church member. She has now entered into rest, at the rare age of *one hundred five years, one month and nineteen days.* "An unusual mortality has prevailed among the senior members of this church during the year, * * * * the average age of eight who died in town being about eighty-five years." The visit of the Young Men's Christian Association quickened this church. The afternoon sermon has been given up, with good results in the way of increased attendance at the morning service, and more interest in the Sabbath School. The pastor at Mont Vernon speaks even more strongly of the good results following the giving up of the afternoon service. Brookline has lost one of its strongest members, but, by a legacy of $2000 to the church, it suffers no pecuniary loss. A bell, parsonage and organ have also been given to this church. The church building has been extensively repaired, as has the Pearl St. Church, in Nashua. Antrim, Brookline and Goffstown have been, or are being, provided with chapels. At New Ipswich the parsonage has been repaired.

MERRIMACK CONFERENCE.

The number of churches remain as last year, twenty-five; of which ten have pastors, nine acting pastors, and six are vacant. The reporter for this Conference says: "Three of these six, it would seem, would honor God quite as much in their death as in their life." The Conference, at its last meeting, appointed a committee on Home Evangelization, who were instructed to enquire into the condition of these churches.

Ministerial Changes. Two ministers have died during the year—Rev. I. D. Adkinson, after a pastorate of less than a year at West Concord, and Rev. John K. Young, D.D., who had so long and so faithfully served his Master and the State. He left Hopkinton, where he had supplied for six years, before his death, returning to the place of his former settlement, in Laconia, to spend his days. He had not long to tarry, however, as he was

very soon called to his reward. Two pastors have resigned—Rev. T. C. Pratt, of Tilton, and Rev. Edward Buxton, for thirty-eight years the pastor in Webster. The resignation of the latter does not take effect until December. Rev. I. P. Smith has closed his labors in Boscawen, and Rev. J. E. B. Jewett at Loudon. Rev. C. A. Stone has been ordained and installed at Hopkinton, Rev. J. A. Freeman at Boscawen, and Rev. M. A. Gates installed at Warner, after serving the church as stated supply for nearly two years. Mr. J. W. Colwell has been engaged as acting pastor at West Concord, and Rev. D. S. Hibbard at Loudon.

Revivals. "Eight churches of this Conference" says the narrator, "report revivals of religion; several others a very hopeful state of things. In most cases the revivals were of great power; several in connection with the labors of Rev. Mr. Potter, the evangelist, others in connection with the ordinary means of grace. In every case there were surprising instances of the power of the Spirit to reach and melt the hardest heart. The subjects of renewing grace ranged from the little child, to those of more than three-score and ten. Nearly three hundred are reported as having expressed hope. One half of these have professed Christ. Others are waiting an opportunity to take the same step. The spirit of the awakening seems to abide in the hearts of God's people. One of its most precious fruits is a permanent quickening of Christians." Among the churches that have been thus refreshed we may mention Canterbury, Concord North and South, Dunbarton, Fisherville, Hopkinton and Tilton. In Pembroke a good degree of interest has existed in the Academy.

Of *methods used*, the report from Tilton speaks of a committee which went from house to house, inviting people to attend a series of union meetings. In Pembroke, meetings have been held in outlying neighborhoods, with the result of interesting many in the services of the sanctuary, who now contribute to its support. The South Church in Concord has adopted the plan of weekly offerings, which gives general satisfaction. "The form of admission to the church has been so amended as to make it possible for children understandingly to join it. The creed is not

read in public. The thought is not to make assent to any human interpretation of God's Word a *sine qui non* to admission into Christ's body; but as nearly as possible we desire the terms of admission to be like those of apostolic times—evidence that one loves the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity and truth," writes the pastor.

"The North Church in Concord is rapidly pushing their beautiful edifice, and it is to be one of the finest in the State." The church in East Concord has received a legacy of $500, the income of which is to be used for the support of the ministry.

"The outlook for the year," says the narrator, "is hopeful in the extreme. The religious interest has been such as has not been experienced for years. It has, in most cases, demonstrated the efficiency of the ordinary means of the gospel, when they are used with deep and earnestly prayerful faith. Though Mr. Potter was among the churches, in many cases his labors were simply as a help to already overworked pastors. The interest did not begin, culminate nor end with him. Business men, who have long held out and resisted the appeals of the gospel, are now among the most eloquent and zealous advocates of its power."

ROCKINGHAM CONFERENCE.

The number of churches is the same as last year, fifteen having pastors, twelve acting pastors, and six being vacant.

Ministerial Changes. Rev. C. F. Morse has been dismissed from Atkinson, and Rev. E. D. Eldredge from Kensington: also Rev. F. D. Chandler has left Hampton, and Rev. C. Terry, Plaistow, both of whom were acting pastors. Mr. Chandler has been employed at Kensington. The following have been installed as pastors: Rev. E. S. Huntress, at Derry, Rev. L. B. Pert, at Londonderry, and Rev. Wm. A. Rand, who had served so faithfully as acting pastor for eight years at South Seabrook. Rev. E. G. Stone, who was ordained in October, last, has been acting pastor at Newcastle.

Revivals. "The influences of the religious quickening, felt in Candia, Exeter and Newmarket, the preceding year, have continued to be felt ever since. The converts received at that time have been steadfast in the faith, and others have quietly

been added to their number: nine in Candia, twenty-three to the two churches in Exeter, and eleven in Newmarket. Considerable religious interest was manifested in Greenland, during the last winter, and was much promoted by the visit and labors of the committee of the Young Men's Christian Association. The inquiry is suggested, whether much good might not be done, if sometimes members of stronger churches would visit the feebler churches, be present at their religious meetings, and, by prayer and exhortation, encourage the hearts of Christians, and help bring souls to Christ."

"Several of the churches report an increased interest in the study of the Bible, and the opinion is strongly maintained by some pastors and churches that it is better to have but one sermon on the Sabbath, and that the second service be a 'Bible service.' But few churches, however, have adopted this arrangement."

"The church in Portsmouth reports an increased interest in the monthly missionary concert. Various brethren are appointed to look after the interests of the different benevolent societies, and report thereupon. The women take part with great acceptance and profit to the church, and report the Women's Board."

"The church in Hampton report that they have more oneness of feeling and evident unity of the spirit than they have known for many years. The churches generally manifest a disposition for work in the service of the Master, but feel and express their need of more faith and courage, hope and love."

Gifts. "The church in Atkinson has received gifts of money amounting to $5200, to constitute a fund to aid in the support of the ministery of the gospel among them; also a parsonage, valued at $3800. The church in North Hampton has received a legacy of $1000, the interest to be devoted to the support of the ministry. The church in Kensington has received $4000 for that purpose by legacy of Rev. Amos Brown, a native of the town, and also $1000 from the same, the interest to be devoted to the purchase of books for the parish library.

Repairs, Improvements, &c. "The church in Salem have reconstructed their meeting-house, and finished and furnished their chapel, at an outlay of $3000. The church in Windham have

greatly improved their house of worship at an outlay of $2600. The improvements consist in remodeling, frescoing, painting. upholstering and putting in a furnace. The church in Epping are now engaged in removing their house of worship to a more eligible location, and renovating it, and have already secured $2000 for that purpose."

STRAFFORD CONFERENCE

Represents three counties and thirty-two churches, as last year. A committee was appointed by the Conference, last year, to examine into the vitality of five of the feeble churches, heretofore reported, but he has left the State, and no report was made. It is the opinion of the Secretary of this Conference that Moultonborough and North Sandwich are still alive, but he hardly likes to vouch for Barnstead, Gilmanton, East, and Tuftonborough. The trouble seems to be that the members of these churches feel that it is more honorable to cling to a dead branch than to be engrafted upon a live one, if the live one happens to bear fruit of a little different flavor from that produced by the tree of which they have been a part.

Ministerial Changes. At the date of preparing this, the statistics of this Conference had not been received, so that this part of the report, it is presumed, is incomplete. Rev. D. L. Gear has left Alton, and his place has been supplied by Rev. L. S. Coan. Rev. Sumner Clark has given up his charge at Wakefield. Rev. H. M. Stone has resigned at Rochester, and Rev. E. H. Titus at Farmington, while Rev. P. H. Pitkin has been engaged as acting pastor at the latter place. Rev. Geo. Rodgers has been ordained and installed pastor at Gilmanton Iron Works, with an encouraging prospect before him. Rev. Joshua S. Gay has gone to Centre Harbor, and Rev. J. N. Lowell to Milton, both as acting pastors.

Revivals. Three churches have been especially refreshed during the year: Dover, Meredith and Sanbornton. The pastor at Dover says: "The winter and spring have witnessed an unusual religious activity among the churches of the city. Union daily prayer-meetings were kept up for months. The pastor of the first parish church preached a series of sermons in the City Hall

on Sunday evenings, to an audience of a thousand in number, many of whom were never found within the churches. The blessing came in an unexpected form. When weak faith was well-nigh dead, a temperance movement was inaugurated, which has taken a most peculiar character. The idea was, that to save men from drunkenness, the grace of Christ's religion must in some way be gotten into their hearts. A man among us, who had been lifted out of a life of infamy by the power of Cristianity, led off in this new movement. He brought men, even while they were under the influence of liquor, into our prayer-meetings to be prayed for. He took men who were reeling in the streets, and got them on their knees before God. He drew men from the station-house and jail into a circle of prayer. Soon a Christian Reform Club was established. It quietly gathered members. The most hardened and abandoned characters we had among us —drunkards of half a lifetime—became members. It has grown until it now numbers eight hundred. Of this number about one half have been hard drinkers. The peculiarity about this extraordinary movement is, its deeply religious nature. The meetings of the club are filled with the spirit of prayer. The universal feeling among the men is that Christ has called them into this new life, and it is Christ alone that can keep them in it. Not a few have come out into a clear, Christian confession and experience." Another peculiarity of this movement, says the Secretary, is that "the Roman Catholics, even, have entered quite heartily into it. They assemble, in many cases with the approval of the priest, each Sabbath morning in the large union prayer-meeting."

The work in Meredith commenced with the Week of Prayer, during which union meetings were held, which were continued about four weeks. About thirty have expressed a hope, and there has been a gratifying increase of earnestness and zeal on the part of Christians as the result of the work. "The most interesting case of conversion was that of an aged man who had experienced religion, as he hoped, in very early life, but was discouraged from making a profession, and afterwards became very skeptical, though a man of active mind and commanding influence. During the meetings he was brought to feel that a broken

heart, and not the speculations of the mind, was the sacrifice pleasing to God, and calculated to secure rest to his soul." A revival in charitable collections is also reported from this church. The pastor at Sanbornton says: "The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." In the autumn there was much discouragement, but at the beginning of the year, "the sound of a going in the tops of the mulbury trees" was heard, and Rev. J. D. Potter was invited to labor among them. "A systematic visitation by the church was entered upon, which resulted in much good." "A chain of heavenly influences, by God's spirit, seems to have been let down among us," says the pastor, "of which Mr. Potter was one very important link." "Extra meetings were held after he left. Several family alters have been erected; new voices, some those of professed Christians, have been heard in the prayer-meeting, some of whom now take their turns in conducting religious meetings." Twenty-four united with the church on the first Sunday in May.

In several places there seems to have been some more than ordinary interest, without being enough to call it a revival. Alton and Centre Harbor report conversions; Great Falls and Wolfeboro' increased interest in winter; Gilmanton Iron Works and Tamworth, that they are praying for a revival; Laconia, three heads of families converted, among others, and twelve infant baptisms; Lee, that the chapel is being enlarged to accommodate the increased attendance at prayer-meetings, and that representatives of nearly every family in town attend church; Rochester, that it has shared in the temperance revival at Dover; and Wakefield, that all is hopeful, except the leaving of their pastor.

The church in Sandwich reports improvement, but is disconsolate on account of the withdrawment of aid by the Missionary Society, which is withheld because it will not unite with North Sandwich. Many of our church members have yet to learn that "Not the *hearers* of the law are just before God, but the *doers* of the law shall be justified." Less preaching and more practicing would be the salvation of many a church. Durham and Laconia speak of many deaths among its members. In Conway, difficulties are disappearing. In Ossipee Centre, Sab-

bath services and Sabbath School have been kept up eight months of the year by their own members.

The church in Alton has received the gift of an organ, costing $2000, and two furnaces, costing $350, from Dr. A. H. Hayes, of Boston, a native of the town. Alton, Centre Harbor, and Milton Mills are building or have completed parsonages during the year.

Farmington, says the Secretary, "presents us an example among the churches, 'of suffering affliction and of patience.' Feb. 10th, their beautiful church, with all its contents, was burned to the ground." The church had been completed only a few years, at a cost of $23,000, and the people were almost disheartend at first, but they have already said, "We will arise and build," and they have commenced on much the same scale as before, a large portion of the funds having been already raised.

SULLIVAN CONFERENCE

Reports thirteen churches, as usual, but Croydon and Lempster, 2d, scarcely retain the breath of life, while Plainfield is too far gone to make any returns.

Ministerial Changes. Rev. James T. Jackson has been ordained and installed at Cornish, while Rev. E. E. P. Abbott has been installed at Newport, both of whom were acting pastors last year. Mr. H. W. L. Thurston, a licentiate, has become acting pastor at Goshen.

Revivals. This Conference, at its meeting in 1874, made arrangements for a visitation of the churches, when this was desired. A few were thus visited with good results. Others have enjoyed and been profited by the meetings held by the committee of the Young Men's Christian Association, while a few have had the labors of an evangelist. Among the places refreshed by the presence of God's spirit we mention Acworth. It had been many years since such a powerful work had been enjoyed. And yet it was very quiet, and the converts are promising to become useful and active members of the church. The interest had its origin in connection with school-house meetings. The labors of Mr. Whittier, the evangelist, are acknowledged as being productive of much good. Twenty-five have united with the church by pro-

fession. The report from Claremont does not mention a revival, but speaks of continued evidence of interest, which would be inferred from the fact that twenty-one persons united with the church by profession during the year. Newport has enjoyed the presence of God's spirit. Mr. Whittier labored for some time in this place with good results. Many who were hardened in sin have been brought to the foot of the cross. The pastor of this church is greatly encouraged in his labors. Twenty-seven have joined the church by profession.

Charlestown seems to have been greatly refreshed, though no revival is spoken of. "Some have been received into the church at each communion during the year." There have been several conversions. "The church is *one third larger* than last year"—a good report. Would that it could be said of all our churches. The blessed effects of the recent revival in Cornish are still felt. "Prayer-meetings are much improved." General prosperity has attended the church in Meriden, but there has been no special ingathering. "A prayer-meeting and Sunday School is sustained in one of the remote districts." "There have been several conversions in connection with the labors of the pastor and others in East Plainfield." "Some marked results have been connected with the prayer-meetings of the students of the Academy." The church in Goshen deserves more than a passing notice, for here we see manifested an exhibition of a true Christian spirit that might be cultivated with profit in other places. The church is small, too small to support, unaided, the institutions of the gospel. It therefore, very wisely, unites itself with the Baptist church in the place (which also deserves commendation), in maintaining the preaching of the Word. The united churches, or rather audiences, are supplied by a Baptist preacher two years, and then by a Congregationalist for two years, and so they alternate without any apparent friction.

The churches in Langdon, Lempster and Washington are struggling on, and, though they are very feeble, yet an amount of good, that we cannot measure, is being accomplished by them, which will be made known at the last day. Langdon has received several members, the first in many years.

The church in Meriden has paid $600 on its debt, besides upholstering and lighting the church. The benevolent contributions have also been increased.

SUMMARY.

The statistical report from one of the Conferences having failed to arrive at the time of preparing this narrative, it will be impossible to make any comparisons with former years. But it will appear from the large number of powerful revivals that have been reported, that it has been a year of almost unexampled prosperity and encouragement. The "set time to favor Zion" seems to have come. It is a remarkable fact that, in most of the places so largely blessed, Christians were well-nigh discouraged because of the hopeless prospect before them. Does not this indicate that the Lord would convince us that it is "not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit" that the world must be brought to Christ. Human instruments are important, but it is possible we have made too much of them. We are also taught by these revivals that God is not confined to a single manner of blessing his people. He has seemed to honor those churches that have undertaken new methods. The canvass of the State by members of the Young Men's Christian Association, which a few years since would have been looked upon, by some pastors, as an infringement upon their rights and duties, has been signally blessed. The giving up of one of the sermons, and the more time given to the study of the Scriptures in consequence, is acknowledged in several places to have been followed with the most encouraging results. Do we not obtain a hint from all this that personal labor and the study of the Bible are quite as necessary, in the way of confirming the faith of saints, and bringing sinners to Christ, as the faithful preaching of the Gospel? Not only in the wonderful work that has been going on in Scotland and England, but in our own State, as well, God is showing that he sometimes chooses "the weak things of this world to confound the things that are mighty."

From the reports, we judge that infant baptism and the excommunication of members have become almost obsolete. It is certainly a cause for rejoicing, if there are none in our churches

who ought to be excommunicated. But I fail to discover any hopeful feature in the neglect of infant baptism.

Our State contains many very feeble churches, the life of which, it would seem, can be of little satisfaction to the members. With some of them there is no prospect of their ever being in a more healthy condition; the members really ought to be connected with stronger churches of some other denomination in the places where they live. Would it not be an act of Christian mercy to put some of these churches out of their suffering? being careful at the same time that we "despise not one of God's little ones," though the very least.

As a State, our prospect is most hopeful. The weaker, as well as the stronger, churches have shared in the late blessings; and may we not expect, if we come up to the "help of the Lord against the mighty," using the weapons with which He has furnished us, instead of those of our own forging, that He will pour out his spirit more abundantly in the year to come than in the year past. I believe there is more faith this year than last. Surely there are more to pray; why then may we not look for, yea *expect*, larger blessings?

S. L. GEROULD, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE MINISTERS' AND WIDOWS' FUND.

The Trustees of the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund would hereby report to the General Association of New-Hampshire, that their annual meeting was held in Concord, June 3rd, 1875.

The Treasurer's reports were read and adopted, and the following persons were elected officers for the ensueing year: namely,

Rev. N. Bouton, *President.*
Rev. W. R. Jewett, *Secretary.*
Shadrach Seavey, *Treasurer.*
Asa McFarland, L. D. Stevens, } *Auditors.*
Rev. N. Bouton, Rev. W. R. Jewett, Shadrach Seavey, } *Prudential Committee.*

At a meeting of the Prudential Committee, held after the adjournment of the Trustees, it was voted to appropriate the sum of $210.00 to three clergymen in needy circumstances; and the sum of $175.00 to seven widows in restricted circumsiances.

One widow, an excellent woman, and long aided by us, has been removed the past year by death.

The only expenses incurred, during the past year, were:

Charles C. Pearson & Co., for circulars,	$1.50
Treasurer, postage,	1.00

The receipts and legacies have been as follows:

WIDOWS' CHARITABLE FUND.

Exeter—Ladies of,	$25.00
Harrisville—Congregational Church and Society,	2.00
Rindge—Congregational Church and Society,	11.60
Salem—Congregational Church and Society,	2.60
Mrs. E. F. Bridge,	1.00
Sum Total,	$42.20

MINISTERS' AND WIDOWS' FUND.

Centre Harbor—Congregational Church and Society,	$4.30
Chester—Congregational Church and Society,	10.15
Concord—A Friend,	10.00
Concord—1st Congregational Church and Society,	23.55
Concord—South Congregational Church and Society,	43.07
Dover—Congregational Church and Society,	132.00
Goffstown—Congregational Church and Society,	8.50
Greenfield—Congregational Church and Society,	5.00
Harrisville—Congregational Church and Society,	5.00
Hanover—Congregational Church and Society,	33.40
Hanover Centre—Congregational Church and Society,	1.45
Hanover Centre—Rev. and Mrs. D. McClenning,	2.00
Hebron—Rev. J. B. Cook,	2.00
Kingston—Rev. Jacob Chapman,	5.00
Kingston—Congregational Church and Society,	7.00
North Hampton—Congregational Church and Society,	7.20
Pembroke—Rev. L. White,	3.00
Pembroke—Prof. J. Walker,	2.00
Sanbornton—Congregational Church and Society,	20.00
Tilton—Congregational Church and Society,	8.00
Webster—Congregational Church and Society,	12.35
Winchester—Congregational Church and Society,	4.15
General Association,	72.00
Abner Storrs,	1.00
Legacy from Mrs. Sarah Green,	136.60
Memorial Members,	130.00
Sum Total,	$688.82

The following persons have been made memorial Members of the Ministers' and Widows' Fund:

Amherst—Mrs. Mary C. Clark, by Rev. Wm. Clark, D.D.
Chester—Mrs. John W. Noyes.
Claremont—Rev. Christopher Marsh, by his daughter, Mrs. E. L. Goddard.
Concord—Mrs. Richard Herbert, by her daughter, Mary C. Herbert.
Concord—Mrs. Asa McFarland.
Concord—Mrs. Shadrach Seavey.
Concord—Mrs. Charlotte H. Woolson, by her daughter, Charlotte A. Woolson.
Fisherville—Edward J. Tucker, by Rev. W. R. Jewett.

Laconia—Rev. John K. Young, D.D., by Congregational Church and Society.
Loudon—Mrs. Hannah Stevens.
Milford—Rev. John M. Ellis, by Mrs. Josephine M. Ellis.
Newton, Mass.—David B. Jewett, Esq., by his sister.
Pelham—Rev. J. H. Church, D.D.
Plainfield—Rev. Jacob Scales.
Mr. Tenney K. Gage.
Plymouth—Rev. Johnathan Ward, by Mrs. Arthur Ward.
Raynham, Mass.—Ellen L. Mann, by her father, Rev. Asa Mann.
Rockport, Mass.—Rev. David Jewett, by his son.
Sanbornton—Mrs. Fannie M. Runnels.

WILLIAM R. JEWETT, *Secretary.*

CONCORD, Sept. 7, 1875.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

General Association of New-Hampshire in account with S. L. GEROULD, *Treasurer.*

					Cr.
Nov. 26, 1874,	By cash from	F. D. Ayer,	balance from last year,		$327.79
June 9, 1875,	"	"	Hillsboro' Conference,		80.00
June 12, "	"	"	Merrimack	"	44.00
June 23, "	"	"	Rockingham	"	50.00
July 5, "	"	"	Cheshire	"	35.00
Aug. 6, "	"	"	Grafton	"	33.00
Aug. 21, "	"	"	Strafford	"	35.00
Aug. 30, "	"	"	Sullivan	"	15.00
					$619.79

				Dr.
Nov. 26, 1874,	To cash paid	R. W. Musgrove,	printing and distributing Minutes,	$216.29
May 11, 1875,	"	Campbell and Hanscom,	printing blanks,	2.35
June 3, "	"	R. W. Musgrove,	printing and ruling blanks,	4.00
July 12, "	"	Campbell and Hanscom,	" "	6.50
July 20, "	"	F. D. Ayer,	printing, binding and postage,	11.65
Aug. 31, "	"		for postage, stationery and express,	5.50
" "	Balance now in Treasury,			373.50
				$619.79

Claremont, N. H., Sept. 8, 1875.

This certifies that I have examined the account of Rev. S. L. Gerould, Treasurer of the General Association, and find the same correct and properly vouched for, and that there remains in the Treasury a balance of three hundred and seventy-three dollars and fifty cents.

C. W. HARVEY, *Auditor.*

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATIONS.

ABBREVIATIONS UNDER COLLEGES.

A. C.—Amherst College.
B. C.—Bowdoin College.
B. U.—Brown University.
C.C.N.Y.—College City of N.Y.
C. U.—Colby University.
D. C.—Dartmouth College.
H. C.—Harvard College.
Ham. C.—Hamilton College.
J. C.—Jefferson College, Pa.
M. C.—Middlebury College.
Mi. U.—Miama University.
N. C.—New College, London
O. C.—Oberlin College.
U. M.—University of Mich.
U. N. Y.—University of N. Y.
U. Vt.—University of Vermont.
W. C.—Williams College.
Wes. U.—Wesleyan University.
Y. C.—Yale College.

ABBREVIATIONS UNDER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

And.—Andover Theol. Sem.
Aub.—Auburn Theol. Sem.
Ban.—Bangor Theol. Sem.
Chi.—Chicago Theol. Sem.
Gil.—Gilmanton Theol. Sem.
Lane.—Lane Theol. Sem.
Ob'l'n.—Oberlin Theol. Sem.
Prin.—Princeton Theol. Sem.
T. I. Ct.—Theol. Institute, Conn.
Union.—Union Theol. Sem.
Yale.—Yale Theol. Sem.

ABBREVIATIONS UNDER EMPLOYMENT.

P.—Pastor. A. P. Acting Pastor. W. C.—Without Charge. T.—Teacher.

I. BELKNAP ASSOCIATION.

Formed April 20, 1841. QUINCY BLAKELY, Scribe.

Names of Members.	Residence.	Graduated. College.	Graduated. Theol. Sem.	Ordained.	Join'd Asso.	Emp-m't.
William F. Bacon,	Laconia.		Ban., '65	Sept. 26, '67	Jan. 23, '72	A. P.
George I. Bard,	Meredith Vill.	U. Vt., '57	And., '60	Oct. 17, '60	Oct. 23, '73	P.
Almon Benson,	Center Harbor.		Gil., '40	Dec. 23, '40	Apr. 20, '41	W. C.
Joseph Blake, D.D.,	Gilmanton.	B. C., '35	Ban., '49	May 3, '41	July, '60	P.
Quincy Blakely,	Campton.	U. Vt., '54	Union, '57	Feb. 16, '59	Sept. 6, '64	P.
John Clark,	Plymouth.			Jan. 23, '35	[illegible]	W. C.
Joshua S. Gay,	Center Harbor.	A. C., '41	And., '45	Jan. 27, '47	July, '75	A. P.
James B. Hadley,	Campton.	A. C., '33	And., '36	Sept. 20, '38	Nov. 5, '61	W. C.
D.Sullivan Hibbard,	Loudon.	B. C., '57	Ban., '60	July, 26, '60	May 13, '73	A. P.
Horatio O. Ladd,	Plymouth.	B. C., '59	Yale, '62	Nov. 24, '65	July, '75	T.
Giles Leach,	Meredith Vill.	A. C., '29	And., '32	Feb. 6, '33		W. C.
Moses T. Runnels,	Sanbornton.	D. C., '53	T. I. Ct., '56	Aug. 13, '56	'66	P.
Charles L. Tappan,	Sandwich.	A. C., '58	And., '61	Jan. 28, '64	May 13, '73	A. P.
George H. Scott,	Plymouth.	W. C., '65	And., '73	Sept. 3, '73	Oct. 23, '73	P.

TIMES OF MEETING. Tuesday before the last Sabbath in January and October, and second Tuesday in May and August.

II. DERRY AND MANCHESTER ASSOCIATION.

Formed February 5, 1861. EDWARD S. HUNTRESS, Scribe.

Names of Members.	Residence.	Graduated. College.	Graduated. Theol. Sem.	Ordained.	Join'd Asso.	Emp-m't.
Augustus Berry,	Pelham.	A. C., '51		Oct. 30, '61	Jan. 12, '64	P.
Ebenez'r W. Bullard,	Hampstead.	Mi. U., '34	Lane,	Aug. 8, '38	June 27, '71	P.
Samuel L. Gerould,	Goffstown.	D. C., '58	Union, '61	Oct. 2, '61	July 13, '69	P.
Robert W. Haskins,	Derry.	U. N. Y., '69	And., '72	Nov. 19, '72	June 24, '73	P.
Charles L. Hubbard,	Merrimack.	D. C., '65	And., '68	Sept. 2, '68	Oct. 13, '68	P.
Edward S. Huntress,	East Derry.	C. U.,	And., '69	Sept. 3, '69	Mar. 2, '75	P.
Charles L. Morse,	*Thetford, Vt.*	A. C., '53	And., '56	Aug. 13, '56	Jan. 14, '73	P.
Charles Packard,	Windham.	B. C., '42	Ban., '45	May 6, '46	June 24, '73	P.
Jesse Page,	Atkinson.	D. C., '31	And., '35	Sept. 16, '35	Feb. 5, '61	W. C.
Ebenez'r G. Parsons,	*Byfield, Ms.*	B. C., '33	Ban., '37	Oct. 4, '37	Feb. 5, '61	T.
Luther B. Pert,	Londonderry.	Ham. C., '43		Oct. 25. '70	May 12, '75	P.
William H. Rand,	Manchester.	D. C., '62	Ban., '69	Jan. 17, '72	May 5, '74	W. C.
Edward G. Selden,	Manchester.	Y. C., '70	And., '73	Dec. 11, '73	Jan. 13, '74	P.
Charles Tenney,	Chester.	D. C., '35	Ban., '40	Feb. 7, '44	June 16, '72	P.
William J. Tucker,	*New York City.*	D. C., '61	And., '66	Jan. 24, '67	Jan. 8, '67	P.
Ira C. Tyson,	Bedford.		Union, '62	Oct. 7, '62	Jan. 10, '71	P.
Cyrus W. Wallace,	Manchester.		Gil., '38	Jan. 8, '40	Feb. 5, '61	W. C.

TIMES OF MEETINGS. Second Tuesday of January, April, July and October.

III. HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

Formed March 4, 1834. SAMUEL H. RIDDEL, Scribe.

Names of Members.	Residence.	Graduated. College.	Graduated. Theol. Sem.	Ordained.	Join'd Asso.	Emp-m't.
Nathaniel Barker,	Wakefield.	D. C., '22	And., '25	Nov. 21, '28	Not given.	W. C.
James Doldt.	Canterbury.			Dec. 26, '43	" "	A. P.
Samuel H. Riddell,	Tamworth.	Y. C., '23	And., '26	June 27, '27	'60	W. C.

TIMES OF MEETINGS. Third Tuesday in January, Second Tuesday in May, July and October.

IV. HOLLIS ASSOCIATION.

Formed May 5, 1862. **D. E. Adams, Scribe.**

Names of Members.	Residence.	Graduated. College.		Graduated. Theol. Sem.		Ordained.		Join'd Asso.		Emp-m'nt.
Daniel E. Adams,	Wilton.			Ban.,	'60	Dec. 5,	'60	July,	'61	P.
Frederick Alvord,	Nashua.	Y. C.,	'55	T. I. Ct.,	'57	July 21,	'58	Nov.,	'69	P.
William Clark, D.D.,	Amherst.	D. C.,	'22	And.,	'27	Apr. 30,	'28	May,	'52	W. C.
Sereno D. Clark,	Temple.	A. C.,	'35	And.,		June 11,	'40	Apr.,	'75	A. P.
Josiah G. Davis, D.D.	Amherst.	Y. C.,	'36	Union,	'41	May 22,	'44	Nov.,	'44	P.
Daniel Goodwin,	Mason.	D. C.,	'35	And.,	'38	Feb. 22,	'39	May,	'39	W. C.
George Goodyear,	Temple.	Y. C.,	'24	Yale,	'28	July 22,	'28	Nov.,	'55	W. C.
Seth H. Keeler, D.D.	Mont Vernon.	M. C.,	'26	And.,	'29	Oct. 15,	'29	May,	'69	A. P.
Hiram L. Kelsey,	Hollis.	Wes. U.,	'61			April 16,	'65			P.
Sanford S. Martyn,	Nashua.	Y. C.,	'65	Yale,	'68	Apr. 20,	'68	Apr.,	'75	P.
Jona. McGee, D.D.,	Nashua.	W. C.,	'14	And.,	'17	June 30,	'19	May,	'36	W. C.
George F. Merriam,	Greenville.	A. C.,	'61	Union,	'64	Mar. 9,	'65	Feb.,	'66	P.
George Pierce, jr.,	Milford.	D. C.,	'60	And.,	'63	Oct. 14,	'63	July,	'74	P.
Austin Richa'ds, D.D	*Boston, Mass.*	A. C.,	'24	And.,	'27	Nov. 7,	'27	May,	'36	W.C.
Thomas S. Robie,	Walpole.	B. C.,	'56	Ban.,	'59	Oct. 25,	'59	May,	'73	W.C.
Frank D. Sargent,	Brookline.	A. C.,	'66	And.,	'69	Oct. 20,	'69	Aug.,	'70	P.
Bela N. Seymour,	New Ipswich.	W. C.,	'52	Union,	'55	June 16,	'55	July,	'75	A. P.
Amos F. Shattuck,	Hollis.	A. C.,	'59	And.,	'62	June 3,	'68	Feb.,	'75	W. C.
Rufus P. Wells,	Mason.	A. C.,	'42	Union,	'45	Sept. 20,	'46	July,	'74	A. P.
Charles Wetherby,	Nashua.	M. C.,	'56	Union,	'59	June 1,	'59	July,	'74	P.

Times of Meetings. First Tuesday of February, May, August and November.

V. HOPKINTON ASSOCIATION.

Formed August 29, 1788. **Wm. E. Spear, Scribe.**

Names of Members.	Residence.	Graduated. College.		Graduated. Theol. Sem.		Ordained.		Join'd Asso.		Emp-m'nt.
Franklin D. Ayer,	Concord.	D. C.,	'56	And.,	'59	May 1,	'61	May 19,	'68	P.
Marion D. Bi<bee,	Fisherville.	D. C.,	'71	Chi.,	'74	Sept. 10,	'74	Sept. 8,	'74	P.
S. Leroy Blake,	Concord.	M. C.,	'59	And.,	'64	Dec. 7,	'64	Mar. 18,	'70	P.
Nath'l Bouton, D.D.,	Concord.	Y. C.,	'21	And.,	'24	Mar. 23,	'25	June 15,	'25	W. C.
Abraham Burnham,	East Concord.	D. C.,	'52	And.,	'57	Sept. 30,	'57			A. P.
Edward Buxton,	Webster.					Apr. 10,	'36	Apr.	'36	A. P.
Jonathan B. Cook.	Hebron.			Ban.,	'49	Dec. 18,	'50	Oct. 20,	'68	P.
Corban Curtice,	Tilton.			Gil.,	'43	Oct. 2,	'43	June,	'46	W. C.
Albert W. Fi<ke,	Fisherville.	B. U.,	'29	And.,	'32	May 22,	'33	May 13,	'57	W. C.
Matthew A. Gates,	Warner.	U. M.,	'55	Aub.,	'58	Sept. 2,	'58	May 6,	'73	P.
Edward H. Greeley,	Concord.	D. C.,	'45	And.,	'49	Nov. 7,	'49			Sec'y.
William R. Jewett,	Fisherville.	A. C.,	'31	And.,	'34	Jan. 18,	'37	Jan. 17,	'65	W. C.
Henry A. Kendall,	East Concord.			Gil.,	'39	Oct. 21,	'40	Oct. 14,	'57	W. C.
Howard Moody,	East Andover.			Gil.,		Nov. 22,	'43	Jan. 9,	'44	A. P.
Stephen S. Morrill,	*Harvard, Mass.*	D. C.,	'55	Chi.,	'59	May 12,	'59	May 19,	'68	A. P.
George H. Morss,	Henniker.			And.,	'62	May 11,	'64	May 5,	'74	A. P.
Theodore C. Pratt,	Hancock.			And.,		June 21,	'59	May 7,	'72	A. P.
Hiram B. Putnam,	*Salem, Mass.*	A. C.,	'60	T. I. Ct.,	'66	Oct. 28,	'68	May 18,	'69	P.
George Smith,	Danbury.					Aug. 9,	'53	Sept. 8,	'74	A. P.
Isaiah P. Smith,		B. C.,	'58	Ban.,	'61	Oct. 19,	'64	May 4,	'74	
Wm. E. Spear,	Dunbarton.	B. C.,	'70	Ban.,	'73	Oct. 16,	'73	Jan. 6,	'74	P.
Caleb B. Tracy,	Wilmot.	W. C.,	'26	And.,	'29	Mar. 10,	'30	May 18,	'69	A. P.
Lyman White,	Pembroke.	D. C.,	'46	And.,	'49	Oct. 23,	'49	May 7,	'72	A. P.
Isaac Willey,	Pembroke.	D. C.,	'22	And.,		Jan. 18,	'26	Jan. 17,	'71	W. C.

Times of Meetings. First Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September and November.

VI. LANCASTER ASSOCIATION.

Formed August 13, 1833. **A. E. Hall, Scribe.**

Names of Members.	Residence.	Graduated. College.	Graduated. Theol. Sem.		Ordained.		Join'd Asso.		Emp-m'nt.
[Albert E. Hall,	Dalton.				*				A. P.]
Chas. E. Harrington,	Lancaster.		Ban.,	'74	Oct. 27,	'74			P.
Leonard W. Harris,	Colebrook.		Ban.,	'42	Nov. 2,	'42	Feb.	'70	A. P.

Times of Meeting. First Tuesday in February, May and October. This Association is composed principally of members in Vermont,

*Licentiate, February 2, 1875.

VII. MONADNOCK ASSOCIATION.

Formed at Jaffrey, August 5, 1793. ELIJAH HARMON, Scribe.

Names of Members.	Residence.	Graduated. College.		Theol. Sem.		Ordained.		Join'd Asso.		Emp-m'n't.
Levi Brigham,	Troy.	W. C.,	'33	And.,	'36	Mar. 15,	'37	Oct. 13,	'68	P.
Justin E. Burbank,		D. C.,	'48	And.,	'51	Apr. 13,	'58	May 9,	'71	
E. Irvin Carpenter,	Swanzey.	U. Vt.,	'37	And.,		Dec. 13,	'42	Dec. 8,	'74	A. P.
Rufus Case,	Jaffrey.	U. Vt.,	'36			May 4,	'42	Oct. 13,	'68	P.
George F. Chapin,	Alstead.	A. C.,	'60	Union,	'63	June,	'66	Mar. 17,	'74	A. P.
Frank G. Clark,	Rindge.	A. C.,	'62	And.,	'69	Sept. 2,	'69	Aug. 12,	'73	P.
Henry H. Colburn,	Washington.					May 19,	'69	Aug. 10,	'69	A. P.
Wm. E. Dickinson,	Walpole.	A. C.,	'55	And.,	'58	Dec. 19,	'60	May 9,	'71	W. C.
Samuel S. Drake,	Sullivan.			Ban.,	'34	Oct. 15,	'34	Aug. 11,	'74	A. P.
Thomas W. Duncan,	Nelson.	D. C.,	'17			June 13,	'31	Aug. 9,	'59	W. C.
Darius N. Goodrich,	Greenfield.	O. C.,	'61	O'bl'n.	'64	June 9,	'65	May 13,	'73	W. C.
Mark Gould,	Nelson.	B. C.,	'39	And.,	'41	Oct. 8,	'51	May 11,	'75	A. P.
Elijah Harmon,	Winchester.	A. C.,	'61	T. I. Ct.,	'67	Oct. 17,	'67	May 12,	'68	P.
Amos Holbrook,	Harrisville.				'65	May 9,	'66	Jan. 16,	'72	A. P.
Joseph A. Leach,	Keene.	A. C.,	'61	And,,	'64	Feb. 23,	'64	Oct. 13,	'68	P.
John L. Merrill,	Marlboro'.	D. C.,	'56	Prin.,	'59	Oct. 27,	'60	Aug. 9,	'70	P.
Cyrus Richardson,	Keene.	D. C.,	'64	And.,	'69	Sept. 30,	'69	Oct. 14,	'73	P.
Gilb't B. Richards'n,	East Alstead.	A. C.,	'53	Ban.,	'66	June 30,	'57	Aug. 11,	'74	A. P.
Thomas E. Roberts,	Keene.	J. C.,	'54	And.,	'57	Mar. 28,	'61	Oct. 28,	'62	*
Charles C. Watson,	Hinsdale.	B. C.,	'63	Union,	'66	July 11,	'67	May 12,	'74	P.
Horace Wood,	Gilsum.			Gil.,	'38	July 10,	'39	Aug. 13,	'67	A. P.

TIMES OF MEETING. Second Tuesday of May, August, October and December.

*Insurance Agent.

VIII. ORANGE ASSOCIATION.

Formed October 7, 1801. L. H. ELLIOT, Bradford, Vt., Scribe.

Names of Members.	Residence.	Graduated. College.		Theol. Sem.		Ordained.		Join'd Asso.		Emp-m'nt.
John Q. Bittinger,	Haverhill.	D. C.,	'57	And.,	'60	Oct. 25,	'60			P.
Edward P. Butler,	Lyme.	U. Vt.,	'70	T. I. Ct.,	'73	Oct. 20,	'74	May 5,	'74	P.
Edward Cleveland,	Bath.	Y. C.,	'32	And.,	'35	Sept. 11,	'37	May 5,	'74	A. P.
Alexander C. Childs,	Orfordville.	Y. C.,	'45	Union,	'49	May 18,	'53			A. P.
Liba Conant,	Orford.	B. C.,	'19			May 29,	'23		'39	W. C.
Francis B. Knowlton	Orford.	B. C.,	'58	Ban.,	'63	Aug. 29,	'65	Sept. 13,	'71	A. P.
Augustus L. Marden	Piermont.	D. C.,	'56	Union,	'59	May 30,	'61	Oct. 9,	'60	P.
Charles E. Milliken,	Littleton.	D. C.,	'57	And.,	'60	Sept. 29,	'60	May 7,	'61	P.
Erdix Tenney,	*Westboro' Mass.*	M. C.,	'26	And.,	'29	Jan. 5.	'31	May 3,	'31	W. C.

TIMES OF MEETING. First Tuesday of February, May and September.

IX. PISCATAQUA ASSOCIATION.

Formed October 24, 1781. JOSIAH H. STEARNS, Scribe.

Names of Members.	Residence.	Graduated. College.		Theo. Sem.		Ordained.		Join'd Asso.		Emp-m'ut.
John O. Barrows,	*West'rn Turkey.*	A. C.,	'60	And.,	'63	June 9,	'64	Jan. 17,	'65	Miss.
Joseph Bartlett,	So. Newmarket.	D. C.,	'35	And.,	'43	Oct. 7,	'47	July 19,	'70	A. P.
Samuel Bowker,	Salem.	B. C.,		Ban.,	'43	Dec. 8,	'44	Jan. 17.	'70	A. P.
Swift Byington.	Exeter.	Y. C.,	'47	And.,	'50	Nov. 17,	'52	Jan. 16,	'72	P.
Frederic D. Chandler	Kensington.							Jan. 19,	'75	A. P.
Jacob Chapman,	Kingston.	D. C.,	'35	And.,	'39	June 23,	'45	Apr. 16,	'72	P.
Franklin Davis,	Newington.	B. C.,	'39	Ban.,	'45	Oct. 6.	'47	Apr. 18,	'65	A. P.
Erasm's D. Eldredge	Kensington.	A. C.,	'28	And.,	'33	Apr. 4,	'38	Apr. 18,	'38	W. C.
Thomas V. Haines,	North Hampton.					Feb. 1,	'61	Oct. 20,	'63	P.
Robert B. Hall,	Wolfeborough.	W. C.,	'70			Nov. 13,	'70	Apr. 21,	'74	P.
Frank Haley, M.D.,	Dover.			And.,	'63	Oct. 7,	'63	Oct. 7,	'70	A. P.
Ezra Haskell,	Dover.			T. I. Ct.,	'59		'60	Jan. 16,	'66	W. C.
Silvanus Hayward,	Gilsum.	D. C.,	'53			Oct. 9,	'61	July 24.	'66	W. C.
William C. Jackson,	Brentwood.	D. C.,	'31	And.,	'35	Oct. 1,	'35	Apr. 16,	'72	A. P.
John W. Lees,	Lee.			And.,	'70	Nov. 16,	'70	Apr. 18.	'71	P.
W. Carlos Martyn,	Portsmouth.					June 25,	'69	Jan. 20,	'74	P.
Israel T. Otis,	Exeter.	W. C.,	'28	And.,	'34	June 30,	'35	July 20,	'47	W. C.
William A. Patten.	Raymond.	D. C.,	'43	And.,	'46	July 18,	'50	July,	'56	A. P.
Albert B. Peabody,	Stratham.	B. U.,		And.,	'59	May 24,	'60	Apr. 16,	'67	P.
Benj. W. Pond,	*W'shingt'n, D.C.*	B. C.,	'57	Ban.,	'61	Jan. 27,	'62	July 20,	'71	Clerk.
Edward Robie,	Greenland.	B. C.,	'40	And.,	'43	Feb. 25,	'52	July 21,	'52	P.
Benj. T. Sanborn,	Freemont.			Ban.,	'63	Feb. 4,	'64			W. C.
Geo. B. Spalding,	Dover.	U. Vt.,	'56	And.,	'61	Oct. 5.	'61	Jan. 18,	'70	P.
Josiah H. Stearns,	Epping.	D. C.,	'40	And.,	'43	Nov. 6,	'44	Oct.,	'57	A. P.
Harvey M. Stone.	*Winchester, Ms.*			Ban.,	'47	Nov. 2,	'48	Apr. 16,	'72	W. C.
Edward G. Stone,	*New Castle.*	A. C.,	'71	And.,	'74	Oct. 28,	'72	Apr. 20,	'75	A. P.
George E. Street,	*Exeter.*	Y. C.,	'58	And.,	'63	Apr. 6,	'64	Apr. 19,	'71	P.
Eugene H. Titus,	*Georgetown, Ms.*	W. C.,	'62	And.,	'65	Feb. 15,	'64	Apr. 15,	'73	
Stephen W. Webb,	*Great Falls.*	A. C.,	'66	Chi.,	'68	Apr. 19,	'70	Jan. 20,	'74	P.

X. SULLIVAN ASSOCIATION.

Formed May 24, 1829. L. RODGERS, Scribe.

Names of members.	Residence.	College.	Theol. Sem.	Ordained.	Join'd Asso.	Emp-m'nt.
E. F. P. Abbott,	Newport.	D. C., '63	And., '67	May 6, '68	May 6, '68	P.
Lewis A. Austin,	Meriden.	M. C., '56		June 26, '62	May 13, '74	T.
Edward W. Clark,	*Westboro', Ms.*	D. C., '44	And., '47	Jan. 1, '50		W. C.
Charles A. Downs,	Lebanon.	U. N. Y., '45	Union, '48	May, '49	May 7, '50	W. C.
James T. Jackson,	Cornish.	D. C., '59		Dec. 17, '74	Nov. 10, '74	P.
George W. Kinne,	Charlestown.	W. C., '68	And., '71	Apr. 29, '74	Nov. 10, '74	P.
John LeBosquet,	Lempster.			Sept. 21, '36	May 1, '73	A. P.
James Marshall,	Acworth.	C.C.N.Y. '63	Union, '70	Dec. 10, '71	May 12, '74	P.
Charles M. Palmer,	Meriden.	D. C., '62	And., '67	Dec. 8, '68	Sept., '71	P.
Levi Rodgers,	Claremont.	D. C., '66	And., '71	Oct. 19. '71	Nov., '72	P.
H. W. L. Thurston,	Goshen.			Aug. 25, '75		A. P.

XI. SUNCOOK ASSOCIATION.

Formed 1809. WILLIAM O. CARR, Scribe.

Names of Members.	Residence.	Graduated. College.	Graduated. Theol. Sem.	Ordained.	Join'd Asso.	Emp-m'nt.
Jeremiah Blake, M.D	Gilmant'n, I.W.		Gil.,	Nov. 1, '38	July 5. '59	*
William O. Carr,	Barnstead.	A. C., '57	And., '60	Feb. 13, '61	Oct. 29, '60	A. P.
Leonard Z. Ferris,	*Gorham, Me.*	D. C., '56	And.,	Nov. 30, '65	Feb. 6, '66	P.
George A. Foss.	Chichester.			Feb. 24. '74		P.
Steph. S. N. Greeley	Pittsfield.	D. C., '35	Gil., '38	Jan. 31, '39		A. P.
Nathaniel S. Moore,	*Brooklyn, N. Y.*	Y. C., '61	And., '66	Nov. 11, '68	Jan. 17, '71	A. P.
George Rodgers,	Gilmanton I.W.	N. C.,	And., '74	July 22, '75		P.
Baman N. Stone,	*Fryeburg, Me.*	A. C., '63	Ban., '69	June 6, '71	Aug. 13, '72	P.

TIMES OF MEETING. Second Tuesday of January, April, July and October,
*Physician.

XII. UNION ASSOCIATION.

Formed Nov. 18, 1812. GEORGE DUSTAN, Scribe.

Names of Members.	Residence.	Graduated. College.	Graduated. Theol. Sem.	Ordained.	Join'd Asso.	Emp-m'nt.
Asahel Bigelow,	Hancock.	H. C., '23	And., '26	Mar. 12, '28	Oct. 10, '50	W. C.
Warren R. Cochrane	Antrim.	D. C., '59		Mar. 18, '69	May 10, '70	P.
George Dustan,	Peterboro'.	D. C., '52	And., '59	Oct. 19, '59	May 8, '60	P.
Morris Holman,	Antrim.	A. C., '37	And., '40	Jan. 15, '45	Aug. 8, '65	W. C.
James Holmes,	Bennington.	D. C., '38	And., '41	July 22, '42	May 9, '71	A. P.
S. H. Partridge, M.D.	Greenfield.			May 10, '53	May 10, '53	*

TIMES OF MEETING. Second Tuesday in May and October.
*A. P. and Physician.

XIII. WHITE RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Formed October 14, 1845. WM. SEWALL, Norwich, Vt., Scribe.

Names of Members.	Residence.	Graduated. College.	Graduated. Theol. Sem.	Ordained.	Join'd Asso.	Emp-m'nt.
Walter H. Ayers,	Lebanon.	D. C., '68	And., '72	July 16, '72	May 12, '74	P.
Vaola J. Hartshorn,	*Hyannis, Ms.*	D. C., '60	Ban., '64	Jan. 18, '65	July 9, '67	W. C.
Sam'l P. Leeds, D.D.	Hanover.	U. Vt., '43	Union, '46	June 18, '51	Sept. 10, '61	P.
Daniel McClenning,	Hanover Centre.			Mar. 28, '52	Aug., '73	A. P.
Daniel J. Noyes, D.D.	Hanover.	D. C., '32	And., '36	May 3, '37	Dec. '50	†
Henry E. Parker,	Hanover.	D. C., '41	Union, '47	May 13, '49	Nov. '65	†
Alonzo B. Rich, D.D.	West Lebanon.	U. Vt., '42	Union, '45	Feb. 8, '46	Jan. 9, '72	P.
Heman Rood, D.D.,	Hanover.	M. C., '19	And., '25	June, 12, '26	June, '53	W. C.
E. D. Sanborn, LL.D.	Hanover.	D. C., '32	And., 1 year	*	June, '50	†
Asa D. Smith, D.D.,	Hanover.	D. C., '30	And., '34	Nov. 2, '34	Nov., '65	‡
Bezaleel Smith,	*W. Hartford, Vt.*	D. C., '25		May 13, '29	Jan., '62	A. P.

TIMES OF MEETING. Second Tuesday in January, third Tuesday in March, and second Tuesday in May, July, September and November,
*Licentiate, Nov. 1, 1836. †Professors in Dartmouth College. ‡President of Dartmouth College.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

THE STATISTICAL YEAR ENDS MAY 1.

I. CHESHIRE CONFERENCE.

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1,'75.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms		Sab. Sch.	Char. Coll.
Place and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.		
Alstead Centre, 1st,	June 1778	Gilbert B. Richardson	June 30, 1857	A. P. 1874	8	21	29	7	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	62	$31.38
" East, 2d,	Nov. 20, 1788	Gilbert B. Richardson	June 30, 1857	A. P. 1874	34	51	85	2	0	2	2	2	2	0	4	0	0	80	71.66
" 3d,	Aug. 3, 1842	George F. Chapin,†	June, 1866	A. P. 1873	6	22	28	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	75	40.00
Chesterfield,	1771	None.			3	7	10	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.00
Dublin, Trin. Cong.,	Nov. 21, 1827	J. F. Bassett,		A. P. 1875	5	9	14	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	64.20
Fitzwilliam,	Mar. 27, 1771	John Colby,	Oct. 31, 1855	A. P. 1873	34	89	123	18	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	1	150	247.75
Gilsum,	Oct. 27, 1772	Silvanus Hayward,	Oct. 9, 1861	A. P. 1875	10	28	38	8	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	108	94.85
Harrisville,	Sept. 22, 1840	Amos Holbrook,	May 9, 1866	A. P. 1871	20	58	78	14	24	1	25	1	3	0	4	18	3	175	36.00
Hinsdale,	1763	Charles C. Watson,	July 2, 1867	Dec. 13, 1871	44	125	169	18	4	1	5	3	3	0	6	3	3	177	110.00
Jaffrey,	May 13, 1780	Rufus Case,	May 5, 1842	Jan. 2, 1867	38	63	101	27	8	2	10	4	1	0	5	2	0	106	232.50
" East,	Jan. 9, 1850	William H. Dowden,	Nov. 5, 1863	A. P. 1875	20	44	64	7	21	2	23	0	4	0	4	20	0	100	20.00
Keene, 1st,	Oct. 18, 1738	Cyrus Richardson,	Sept. 30, 1869	July 10, 1873	68	208	276	48	8	10	18	4	5	0	9	7	3	360	1406.00
" 2d,	Oct. 15, 1867	Joseph A. Leach,	Feb. 23, 1864	Sept. 16, 1869	96	189	285	48	10	4	14	4	6	0	10	7	3	336	1427.17
Marlborough,	Nov. 11, 1788	John L. Merrill,	Oct. 27, 1860	May 2, 1871	64	127	191	20	10	12	22	2	4	1	7	2	1	252	236.63
Nelson,	Jan. 31, 1781	Mark Gould,	Oct. 8, 1851	A. P. 1872	30	49	79	23	0	1	1	0	7	0	7	0	0	90	45.60
Rindge,	Nov. 6, 1765	Frank G. Clark,	Sept. 2, 1869	June 3, 1873	61	126	187	29	13	7	20	3	1	0	4	9	1	281	605.27
Roxbury,	Aug. 15, 1816	None.			2	10	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	12.00
Stoddard,	Sept. 4, 1787	Henry H. Colburn,‡	May 19, 1869	A. P. 1873	6	27	33	13	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	37	0.00
Sullivan,	Oct. 17, 1792	Samuel S. Drake,	Oct. 15, 1834	A. P. 1873	33	52	85	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	50.00
Surry,	June 12, 1769	None.			1	9	10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0.00
Swanzey,	Nov. 4. 1741	E. Irvin Carpenter,	Dec. 13, 1842	A. P. 1874	27	44	71	7	9	0	9	1	1	0	2	5	0	125	83.74
Troy,	Sept. 14, 1815	Levi Brigham,	Mar. 15, 1837	May 5, 1870	34	65	99	12	8	1	9	2	1	0	3	2	4	176	435.26
Walpole,	June 10, 1761	Thomas S. Robie,	Oct. 25, 1859	A. P. 1875	22	73	95	15	7	1	8	1	4	0	5	4	1	150	307.62
Westmoreland,*	Nov. 19, 1874	Charles N. Flanders,	Dec. 29, 1874	Dec. 29, 1874	21	53	74	12	2	7	9	3	1	0	4	1	0	115	50.00
Winchester,	Nov. 24, 1736	Elijah Harmon,	Oct. 17, 1867	Oct. 17, 1867	57	116	173	34	0	6	6	6	6	0	12	0	0	188	301.18
					744	1665	2409	423	106	57	163	42	53	1	96	81	22	3273	$5908.81

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 9; with Acting Pastors, 13; Vacant, 3; Total, 25. Dropped from last year by consolidation, 1.

MINISTERS WITHOUT CHARGE. Thomas W. Duncan, Nelson, ordained June 13, 1831; Jeffries Hall, Chesterfield, ordained June 5, 1833; Edwin Jennison, Winchester, ordained 1831; Thomas E. Roberts, Keene, ordained March 28, 1861; John C. Smith, Winchester. ordained 1841; Horace Wood, Gilsum, ordained June 10, 1839.

LICENTIATES. L. F. Rand. Keene, licensed May. 1873; Charles E. Houghton, Lay Preacher. Marlboro'. licensed May, 1874.

*Two churches consolidated. †Also A. P., Langdon, Sullivan Co. ‡Also A. P., Washington, Sullivan Co.

JOHN L. MERRILL, *Statistical Secretary.*

II. COOS [AND ESSEX, VT.] CONFERENCE.

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1, '75.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms		Sab. Sch.	Char. Coll.
Place and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.		
Bethlehem,	Oct. 15, 1802	None.			5	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$0.00
Chatham,	Oct. 22, 1861	[J. Henry Leavitt,	Lay pr'ch'r.]	A. P. 1875	18	27	45	14	0	4	4	1	1	0	2	0	0	35	45.00
Colebrook,	Dec. 4, 1862	Leonard W. Harris,	Nov. 2, 1842	A. P. 1873	26	54	80	14	4	5	9	0	3	0	3	1	1	50	100.00
Dalton,	Apr. 28, 1816	[Albert E. Hall,	Licentiate.]	A. P. 1874	7	21	28	10	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	88	13.00
Gorham,	Mar. 18, 1862	Geo. F. Tewksbury	Jan. 31, 1838	A. P. 1868	5	27	32	9	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	60	50.00
Lancaster,	July 17, 1794	Chas. E. Harrington,	Oct. 27, 1874	Oct. 27, 1874	46	106	152	29	16	3	19	1	3	0	4	10	3	200	157.00
Littleton,	Mar. 3, 1803	Chas. E. Milliken,	Sept. 28, 1860	Sept. 28, 1860	49	124	173	23	5	2	7	1	4	0	5	4	0	150	356.40
Shelburne,	Aug. 26. 1818	None.			0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
West Stewartstown,	July 1, 1846	None.			7	28	35	5	4	4	8	0	0	0	0	3	0	95	30.00
					163	395	558	104	31	20	51	3	12	0	15	18	4	678	$751.40

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 2; with Acting Pastors, 4; Vacant, 3; Total, 9; Dropped from last year, 1, (Franconia). A. E. HALL, *Statistical Secretary.*

☞The following omitted under Hillsborough Table for want of room.☜

MINISTERS WITHOUT CHARGE. John Bragdon, Hillsboro' Bridge, ordained April 9, 1873; Asahel Bigelow, Hancock, ordained March 12, 1828; William Clark, D.D., Amherst, ordained April 30, 1828; William M. Gay, Reed's Ferry, ordained March 31, 1863; Teacher; George Goodyear, Temple, ordained July 22, 1828; Morris Holman, Antrim, ordained, Jan. 15. 1845; Samuel Lee, New Ipswich, ordained July 4, 1830; Abel Manning, Goffstown, ordained Nov. 9, 1820; Jonathan McGee, D.D., Nashua, ordained June 13. 1819; William H. Rand, Manchester, ordained Jan. 17, 1872; Amos F. Shattuck, Hollis, ordained June 3. 1868.

LICENTIATE. A. B. Palmer, South Weare, licensed March 10, 1875.

GEORGE DUSTAN, *Statistical Secretary.*

III. GRAFTON CONFERENCE.

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1, '75.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms		Sab. Sch.	Char. Coll.
Place and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.		
Bath,	July 31, 1844	Edward Cleveland,	Sept. 11, 1837	A. P. 1872	24	79	103	29	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	100	$36.50
Bridgewater,	Feb. 4, 1818	None.			1	2	3	0											
Bristol,	Nov. 15, 1826	Albert W. Moore,	Jan. 22, 1873	A. P. 1875	44	85	129	11	4	4	8	5	4	3	12	2	0	140	48.78
Campton,	June 1, 1774	Quincy Blakely,	Feb. 16, 1859	June 29, 1864	29	61	90	16	4	2	6	2	1	0	3	0	0	140	383.54
Canaan.	Mar. 18, 1800	None.					9												
Danbury,	Jan. 20, 1809	George Smith,	Aug. 9, 1853	A. P. 1874	23	37	60	16	0	3	3	1	2	0	3	0	0	60	21.36
Dorchester,	May 20, 1828	None.			3	9	12	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0.00
Enfield,	May 30, 1826	[Francis Parker,	Licentiate.]	A. P. 1875	9	32	41	7	8	1	9	0	4	0	4	8	1	60	
Groton.	June 12, 1779	Jona. B. Cook, ½	Dec. 18, 1850	A. P. 1874	8	12	20	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	25.00
Hanover, Dart. Col.,	July 2, 1805	Samuel P. Leeds, D.D.,	June 18, 1851	July 10, 1861	72	135	207	66	11	16	27	3	5	0	8	6	4	273	971.73
Hanover Centre,	May 16, 1810	Daniel McClenning,	Mar. 28, 1852	A. P. 1873	38	73	111	29	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	0	90	44.64
Haverhill,	Oct. 13, 1790	John Q. Bittinger,	Oct. 25, 1860	July 2, 1874	50	111	161	40	2	5	7	7	3	0	10	0	2	156	172.22
Hebron,	June 12, 1779	Jona B. Cook, ½	Dec. 18, 1850	A. P. 1874	3	11	14	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		13.20
Lebanon,	Sept. 27, 1768	Walter H. Ayers,	July 16, 1872	July 7, 1874	50	125	175	15	0	12	12	5	4	0	9	0	0	100	90.00
Lebanon, West,	Nov. 8, 1849	Alonzo B. Rich, D.D.,	Feb. 8, 1846	May 17, 1871	54	110	164	28	1	4	5	0	3	0	3	0	0	213	350.06
Lyme,	May 22, 1771	Edward P. Butler,	Oct. 20, 1874	Oct. 20, 1874	99	158	257	65	1	1	2	1	4	0	5	1	0	225	522.23
Monroe,	Aug. 18, 1874	J. Lincoln Litch,	Apr. 7, 1867	A. P. 1873	9	13	22	0	16	6	22					8	0	42	10.00
Orfordville,	Aug. 27, 1770	Alexander C. Child,	May 18, 1853	A. P. 1875	37	53	90	12	2	2	4	2	6	0	8	1	0	100	6.53
Orford, West,	Apr. 30, 1822	Francis B. Knowlton,	Aug. 29, 1865	A. P. 1871	28	61	89	27	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	97	258.72
Piermont,	Mar. 10, 1803	Augustus L. Marden,	May 30, 1861	May 30, 1861	37	63	100	34	1	1	2	3	0	0	3	1	1	78	95.00
Plymouth,	Apr. 16, 1764	George H. Scott,	Sept. 3, 1873	Sept. 3, 1873	32	129	161	29	9	1	10	6	0	0	6	8	0	125	232.98
Thornton,	Apr. 11, 1780	None.			1	4	5	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	00	0.00
Wentworth,	Sept. 21, 1830	George J. Pierce,	Aug. 27, 1872	A. P. 1875	10	39	49	13	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	100	72.25
					661	1402	2072	459	61	60	121	39	40	3	82	37	10	2194	$3402.74

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 8; with Acting Pastors, 11; Vacant, 4; Total, 23.

MINISTERS WITHOUT CHARGE. John Clark, Plymouth, ordained Jan. 23, 1835; Liba Conant, Orford, ordained May 29, 1823; David Connell, Plymouth, ordained Nov. 20, 1842; James B. Hadley, Campton, ordained Sept. 20, 1838; Horatio O. Ladd, Plymouth, ordained Nov. 24, 1865; Daniel J. Noyes, D.D., Hanover, ordained May 3, 1837; Henry E. Parker, Hanover, ordained May 13, 1849; Daniel Pulsifer, Danbury, ordained Jan. 23, 1835; Heman Rood, D.D., Hanover, ordained June 12, 1825; Asa D. Smith, D.D., Hanover, ordained Nov. 2, 1834.

LICENTIATES. Frederick H. Bartlett, Bristol, licensed July, 1872; John C. Procter, A.M., Hanover, licensed ——; Edwin D. Sanborn, LL.D., Hanover, licensed Nov. 1, 1836.

QUINCY BLAKELY, *Statistical Secretary.*

IV. HILLSBOROUGH CONFERENCE.

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1,'57.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms		Sab. Sch.	Char. Coll.
Place and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.		
Amherst,	Sept. 22, 1741	Josiah G. Davis, D.D.,	May 22, 1844	May 22, 1844	45	135	180	25	8	5	13	9	3	0	12	4	0	163	$900.73
Antrim, *Presb.*,	Aug. 1788	Warren R. Cochrane,	Mar. 18, 1869	Mar. 18, 1869	70	136	206	16	13	1	14	4	3	0	7	10	1	200	226.00
Bedford, *Presb.*,	1750	Ira G. Tyson,	Oct. 7, 1862	May 6, 1869	68	139	207	45	27	1	28	5	2	0	7	14	5	275	324.57
Bennington,	July 6, 1839	James Holmes,	July 22, 1842	A. P. 1869	18	39	57	5	13	4	17	1	4	0	5	7	0	115	268.26
Brookline,	Dec. 10, 1795	Francis D. Sargent,	Oct. 20, 1869	Oct. 20, 1869	26	58	84	14	5	1	6	5	0	0	5	5	0	130	162.02
Deering,	Dec. 24, 1789	None.			6	27	33	7	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	60	10.00
Francistown,	Jan. 27, 1773	Henry F. Campbell,	Oct. 1872	Jan. 22, 1874	84	184	268	25	0	1	1	2	10	0	12	0	2	351	820.88
Goffstown,	Dec. 29, 1801	Samuel L. Gerould,	Oct. 2, 1861	Feb. 4, 1869	53	144	197	23	48	10	58	8	1	0	9	39	0	318	388.32
Greenfield,	May 28, 1867	Samuel H. Partridge,	May 10, 1853	A. P. 1869	47	82	129	13	10	4	14	5	2	0	7	6	0	157	85.00
Greenville,	June 3, 1847	George F. Merriam,	Mar. 9, 1865	Mar. 9, 1865	23	60	83	23	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	110	107.00
Hancock,	Aug. 28, 1788	Theodore C. Pratt,	June 21, 1859	A. P. 1875	41	78	119	33	7	0	7	5	0	0	5	6	2	193	116.57
Hillsboro' Centre,	Oct. 12, 1769	John Adams,	July 21, 1841	A. P. 1861	15	27	42	10	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	0	50	30.00
" Bridge,	May 29, 1839	None.			24	47	71	22	0	2	2	1	5	0	6	0	0	160	68.30
Hollis,	Apr. 20, 1743	Hiram L. Kelsey,	Apr. 16, 1865	June 1, 1875	74	129	203	60	0	0	0	10	7	0	17	0	1	200	494.62
Hudson,	Sept. 9, 1841	None.			8	20	28	5	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	0	0	0.00
Litchfield, Presb.,	July 3, 1844	[William D. Hart,	Licentiate.]	A. P. 1873	2	4	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	90	102.20
Lyndeborough,	Dec. 5, 1757	None.			21	35	56	12	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	0	60	0.00
Manchester, First,	Aug. 15, 1839	{ C. W. Wallace, D.D. / Edward G. Selden,	Jan. 8, 1840 / Dec. 13, 1873	Past. Em. '40 / Dec. 13, 1873	147	346	493	28	68	14	82	5	76	5	86	31	3	537	1176.76
" Franklin St.,	June 27, 1844	Washington Choate,		Pastor Elect	118	311	429	75	90	19	109	6	24	0	30	59	4	593	2725.71
Mason,	Oct. 13, 1772	{ Daniel Goodwin, / Rufus P. Wells,	Feb. 27, 1839 / Sept. 20, 1846	Apr. 18, 1860 / A. P. 1874	30	56	86	26	3	2	5	3	0	0	3	2	2	100	157.08
Merrimack, First,	Sept. 5, 1771	Charles L. Hubbard.	Sept. 2, 1868	Sept. 2, 1868	50	98	148	33	2	2	4	2	7	0	9	1	4	260	160.00
" South,	Oct. 21, 1829	None.			1	10	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	0.00
Milford,	Nov. 19, 1788	George Pierce, jr.,	Oct. 14, 1863	Oct. 29, 1872	100	228	328	15	7	8	15	1	10	0	11	7	0	324	189.27
Mont Vernon,	Sept., 1780	Seth H. Keeler, D.D.,	Oct. 1829	A. P. 1868	173	98	171	40	6	0	6	3	6	0	9	5	3	180	131.67
Nashua, First,	Dec. 16, 1685	Frederic Alvord,	July 21, 1858	July 16, 1869	177	304	481	40	94	38	132	2	8	0	10	63	4	375	2818.75
" Olive St.,	Oct. 26, 1835	Sanford S. Martyn,	Apr. 29, 1868	Dec. 17, 1874	89	221	310	77	38	10	48	9	6	0	15	30	1	209	230.21
" Pearl St.,	Sept. 3, 1846	Charles Wetherby,	Mar. 1, 1859	Dec. 7, 1871	87	210	297	20	70	20	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	387	450.00
New Boston, *Presb.*,	1768	None.			46	98	144	22	2	1	3	4	2	0	6	1	1	154	159.00
New Ipswich,	Oct. 21, 1760	Bela N. Seymour,	June 16, 1855	A. P. 1874	46	102	148	31	1	2	3	3	3	0	6	0	0	120	227.75
Pelham,	Nov. 13, 1751	Augustus Berry,	Oct. 6, 1861	Oct. 6, 1861	20	50	70	10	0	7	7	1	3	0	4	0	0	203	494.07
Peterborough,	Apr. 21, 1858	George Dustan,	Oct. 19, 1859	Oct. 19, 1859	69	160	229	10	41	9	50	0	1	0	1	30	1	294	294.11
Temple,	Oct. 2, 1771	Sereno D. Clark,	June 11, 1840	A. P. 1872	37	55	92	26	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	4	115	121.00
Wilton,	May 16, 1823	Daniel E. Adams,	Dec. 5, 1860	Dec. 5, 1860	60	129	189	20	10	9	19	3	4	0	7	7	0	209	180.63
					1875	3820	5695	811	563	174	737	107	196	5	308	327	39	6721	13620.48

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES. With Pastors, 15; with Acting Pastors, 8; Vacant, 6; Total, 29.
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES. With Pastors, 2; with Acting Pastors, 1; Vacant, 1; Total, 4;
} Grand Total, 33.

[See under Coos Conference for Ministers without Charge.]

V. MERRIMACK CONFERENCE.

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1, '75,				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.		Sab. Sch.	Char. Coll.
Place and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.		
Andover,	June 25,1841	Howard Moody,	Nov. 22,1843	A. P. 1869	7	16	23	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	42	$82.29
Boscawen,	Oct. 8, 1740	Joseph A. Freeman,	June 30,1875	June 30,1875	31	61	92	35	0	2	2	6	2	0	8	0	2	95	0.00
Bradford,	Nov. 24,1803	None.																	
Canterbury,	1760	James Doldt,	Dec. 26, 1843	A. P. 1870	33	51	84	2	15	2	17	3	0	0	3	14	2	190	125.00
Chichester,	1791	George A. Foss,	Feb. 24, 1874	Feb. 24.1874	32	46	78	27	2	1	3	5	0	0	5	2	0	90	20.00
Concord, First,	Nov. 18,1730	Franklin D. Ayer,	May 1, 1861	Sept.12,1867	92	210	302	16	20	15	35	2	1	0	3	12	3	302	988.50
" West,	Apr. 23, 1833	[John W. Colwell,	Licentiate.]	A. P. 1875	26	70	96	13	0	2	2	2	1	0	3	0	0	150	68.33
" South,	Feb. 1, 1837	S. Leroy Blake,	Dec. 7, 1864	Jan. 27,1869	134	289	423	30	33	16	49	7	5	0	12	18	2	400	1298.16
" East,	Mar. 30,1842	Abraham Burnham,	Sept. 30,1857	A. P. 1872	24	41	65	16	0	1	1	4	2	0	6	0	1	60	56.58
Dunbarton,	June 18,1789	William E. Spear,	Oct. 16, 1873	Oct. 16, 1873	30	77	107	6	6	2	8	1	2	0	3	5	0	182	290.00
Epsom,	1761	None.			13	30	43	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Fisherville,	Nov. 6, 1850	Marion D. Bisbee,	Sept. 10,1874	Sept.10,1874	41	96	137	16	19	7	26	2	5	0	7	10	3	217	280.00
Franklin,	June 11,1822	None.			56	101	151	39	0	0	0	5	4	0	9	0	0	100	230.00
Henniker,	June 7, 1769	George H. Morss,	May 11, 1864	A. P. 1873	45	119	164	34	1	5	6	3	1	0	4	1	0	181	699.00
Hill.	Feb. 19,1815	None.			6	10	16	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.00
Hooksett.	Jan. 22, 1828	None.			8	14	22	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Hopkinton,	Nov. 23,1757	Clarendon A. Stone,	Apr. 2, 1873	Dec. 29,1874	45	112	157	45	1	2	3	5	2	0	7	0	0	100	132.50
Loudon,	Oct. 21, 1789	David S. Hibbard,	July 26,1860	A. P. 1875	10	41	51	7	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	50	
Pembroke,	Mar. 1, 1737	Lyman White.	Oct. 23, 1849	A. P. 1871	33	85	118	25	6	0	6	1	2	0	3	3	0	204	248.07
Pittsfield,	Nov. 17,1789	Stephen S. N. Greeley,	Jan. 31, 1839	A. P. 1874	38	72	110	30	1	0	1	2	1	0	3	0	0	100	60.00
Salisbury,	Nov. 17,1773.	None.			20	30	50	20	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	53	0.00
Tilton & Northfield,	July 18, 1822	None.			48	141	189	46	33	4	37	1	6	0	7	20	7	142	75.56
Warner,	Feb. 5, 1772	Matthew A. Gates,	Sept. 2, 1858	Mar. 3, 1875	32	74	106	8	7	3	10	0	1	0	1	6	0	132	62.42
Webster,	Sept,10,1804	Edward Buxton,	Apr. 10,1836	Dec. 13,1837	39	52	91	17	1	0	1	4	2	0	6	0	0	100	170.50
Wilmot,	Jan. 1, 1829	Caleb B. Tracy,	Mar. 10,1830	A. P. 1868	18	29	47	15	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	68	50.23
					855	1867	2722	460	145	62	207	61	40	0	101	91	22	2958	$4937.14

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 9; with Acting Pastors, 9; Vacant, 7; Total, 25.

MINISTERS WITHOUT CHARGE. N. Bouton, D.D., Concord, ordained March 23, 1825—Provincial Historian of N. H.; Corban Curtice, Tilton, ordained Oct. 2, 1843; Albert W. Fiske, Fisherville, ordained May 22, 1833; Edward H. Greeley, Concord, ordained Nov. 7, 1849—Secretary N. H. Missionary Society; William R. Jewett, Concord. ordained Jan. 18, 1837; Henry A. Kendall, Concord, ordained Oct. 21, 1840; Daniel Sawyer, Hopkinton, ordained May 13, 1846; Isaiah P. Smith, —— ordained Oct. 19, 1864; Isaac Willey, Pembroke, ordained Jan. 18, 1820.

S. L. BLAKE, *Statistical Secretary.*

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1, '75.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.		Sab. Sch.	Char. Coll.
Place and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.		
Atkinson,	Nov. 25, 1772	None.			29	60	89	30	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	120	$152.55
Auburn,	Jan. 1, 1843	[Charles E. Houghton,	Licentiate.]	A. P. 1875	22	35	57	7	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	50	20.00
Brentwood,	Jan. 7, 1756	William C. Jackson,	Oct. 13, 1835	A. P. 1870	10	44	54	11	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	40	5.25
Candia,	June 1771	George E. Lovejoy,	July 16, 1873	July 16, 1873	90	143	233	26	9	5	14	5	1	0	6	7	0	280	199.40
Chester,	Oct. 20, 1731	Charles Tenney,	Feb. 7, 1844	Aug. 2, 1871	47	124	171	23	8	2	10	3	1	0	4	3	2	200	244.65
Deerfield,	Jan., 1766	None.			39	82	121	32	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	0	0	0.00
Derry, 1st.	1719	Edward S. Huntress,	Sept. 5, 1869	Feb. 25, 1875	34	90	124	32	0	2	2	6	3	0	9	0	0	97	82.50
" 1st Cong.,	Aug. 3, 1837	Robert W. Haskins,	Nov. 19, 1872	Nov. 19, 1872	23	93	116	22	8	1	9	4	1	0	5	5	1	120	203.98
Epping,	Dec. 9, 1747	Josiah H. Stearns,	Nov. 6, 1844	A. P. 1857	26	43	69	12	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	1	137	248.54
Exeter, 1st,	1638 Re. 1698	Swift Byington,	Nov. 17, 1852	June 2, 1871	46	122	168	42	6	2	8	4	7	0	11	4	0	125	364.55
" 2d,	Dec. 24, 1813	George E. Street,	Apr. 6, 1864	Mar. 30, 1871	48	120	168	36	17	11	28	3	3	0	6	11	0	155	1034.38
Greenland,	July, 1706	Edward Robie,	Feb. 25, 1852	Feb. 25, 1852	11	55	66	10	9	2	11	1	0	0	1	6	0	65	355.24
Hampstead,	June 3, 1752	Ebenezer W. Bullard,	Aug. 8, 1838	Dec. 14, 1870	17	60	77	12	4	1	5	6	2	0	8	3	0	152	195.00
Hampton,	1638	None.			64	129	193	23	2	1	3	2	1	0	3	0	1	98	184.60
Kensington,	Oct. 8, 1859	Frederic D. Chandler,	Apr. 11, 1869	A. P. 1875	11	26	37	4	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	75	45.00
Kingston,	Sept. 28, 1725	Jacob Chapman,	June 23, 1845	June 5, 1872	8	38	46	8	1	1	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	90	156.00
Londonderry, *Presb.*	1735	Luther B. Pert,	Oct. 25, 1870	Feb. 23, 1875	45	118	163	20	16	1	17	8	6	0	14	6	5	175	116.00
Newcastle,	1671	Edward G. Stone,	Oct. 28, 1874	A. P. 1874	12	42	54	14	1	2	3	1	0	0	1	1	0	116	19.00
Newington,	Oct. 15, 1715	Franklin Davis,	Oct. 6, 1847	A. P. 1864	5	15	20	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	53.69
Newmarket,	Mar. 27, 1828	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	A. P. 1865	37	80	117	33	11	2	13	0	0	0	0	10	0	150	137.50
North Hampton,	Oct. 31, 1739	Thomas V. Haines,	Feb. 1, 1861	Apr. 27, 1870	49	97	146	24	1	1	2	1	2	0	3	1	1	217	334.15
Northwood,	Nov. 29, 1798	Elliot C. Cogswell,	Nov. 3, 1842	A. P. 1865	27	47	74	34	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	1	80	16.00
Nottingham,	May 11, 1840	None.			2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Plaistow,	Nov. 4, 1730	None.			20	48	68	10	0	2	2	3	1	0	4	0	0	80	350.00
Portsmouth,	July 21, 1671	W. Carlos Martyn,	June 25, 1869	Nov. 12, 1872	87	263	350	69	2	6	8	17	8	0	25	0	0	230	1216.82
Raymond,	July 4, 1791	William A. Patten,	July 18, 1850	A. P. 1874	53	68	121		0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	2	110	50.00
Rye,	July 10, 1726	Jeremiah K. Aldrich,	Feb. 17, 1863	A. P. 1873	17	70	87	11	12	10	22	1	0	0	1	8	0	163	107.30
Salem,	Jan. 16, 1740	Samuel Bowker,	Dec. 8, 1844	A. P. 1873	15	42	57	10	0	0	0	1	6	0	7	0	1	75	45.00
Seabrook & H. Falls,	July 12, 1837	George H. Pratt,	Oct. 11, 1866	A. P. 1873	10	23	33	2	2	1	3	1	0	0	1	1	0	80	95.00
South Seabrook,	July 9, 1867	William A. Rand,	July 9, 1875	July 9, 1875	4	17	21	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	100	0.00
South Newmarket,	1730	Joseph Bartlett,	Oct. 7, 1847	A. P. 1868	5	15	20	0	7	1	8	0	0	0	0	5	0	50	35.37
Stratham,	1718	Albert B. Peabody,	May 24, 1860	Nov. 25, 1869	16	30	46	5	1	2	3	1	1	0	2	1	0	105	256.30
Windham, *Presb.*,	1742	Charles Packard,	May 6, 1846	Apr. 29, 1873	39	92	131	45	3	0	3	3	1	0	4	2	0	185	138 56
					968	2333	3301	611	120	58	178	88	61	0	149	74	15	3780	$6462.33

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES. With Pastors, 13; with Acting Pastors, 13; Vacant, 5; Total, 31. } Grand Total. 33.
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES. With Pastors, 2; with Acting Pastors, 0; Vacant, 0; Total, 2. }

MINISTERS WITHOUT CHARGE. Erasmus D. Eldridge, Kensington, ordained April 4, 1833; Israel T. Otis, Exeter, ordained June 1, 1835; Jesse Page, Atkinson, ordained Sept. 16, 1835; George W. Thompson, Stratham, ordained April 29, 1840.

EDWARD ROBIE, *Statistical Secretary.*

VII. STRAFFORD CONFERENCE.

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1, '75				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms		Sab. Sch.	Char. Coll.
Place and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.		
Alton,	Nov. 7, 1827	Leander S. Coan,	June 18, 1862	A. P. 1875	11	28	39	7	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	100	$8.97
Barnstead,*	July 23, 1804				7	13	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
" Parade,	July 9, 1867	William O. Carr,	Feb. 13, 1861	A. P. 1867	13	17	30	7	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	1	85	25.00
Barrington,*	June 18, 1755	Albert Watson,	June 27, 1871	A. P. 1875	11	37	48	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	10.14
Centre Harbor,	May 10, 1838	Joshua S. Gay,	Jan. 27, 1848	A. P. 1874	23	37	60	19	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	70	40.00
Conway,	Aug. 18, 1778	S. Girard Norcross,	Oct. 11, 1859	A. P. 1873	24	51	75	18	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	2	73	47.50
Dover, 1st,	Dec. 1638	George B. Spalding,	Oct. 5, 1861	Sept. 1, 1869	79	204	283	55	1	0	1	9	1	3	13	0	3	268	1143.73
" Belknap,*	Sept. 3, 1856	Frank Haley,	Oct. 7, 1863	A. P. 1874	17	54	71	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	112	40.00
Durham,	Mar. 26, 1718	Henry L. Talbot,	Jan. 1, 1873	Jan. 1, 1873	14	52	66	11	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	90	75.00
Effingham,*	May 17, 1836				3	16	19	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Farmington,	Sept. 15, 1819	Paul H. Pitkin,	Sept. 11, 1866	A. P. 1875	20	48	68	16	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	120	100.00
Gilmanton East,*	Nov. 30, 1774				7	6	13	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
" Center,	Mar. 8, 1826	Joseph Blake,	Mar. 3, 1841	Oct. 25, 1871	31	72	103	18	2	0	2	2	2	0	4	1	0	65	66.56
" Iron Works,	Oct. 12, 1830	George Rodgers,	July 22, 1875	July 22, 1875	21	64	85	34	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	72	32.00
Great Falls,	Oct. 25, 1730	Stephen W. Webb,	Apr. 19, 1870	Oct. 15, 1873	44	131	175	40	8	2	10	6	7	0	13	7	2	240	240.00
Laconia,	June 28, 1824	William F. Bacon,	Sept. 27, 1867	A. P. 1871	38	102	140	29	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	12	115	199.62
Lee,	Dec. 3, 1867	John W. Lees,	Nov. 16, 1870	Nov. 16, 1870	5	40	5	11	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	0	208	0.00
Meredith Village,	Feb. 20, 1815	George I. Bard,	Oct. 17, 1860	Jan. 2, 1873	16	48	64	11	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	121	190.95
Milton,	Sept. 8, 1815	[John N. Lowell,	Licentiate.]	A. P. 1874	29	54	83	0	12	0	12	3	1	0	4	11	0	90	
" Mills,	Sept. 26, 1871	George Michael,	July 8, 1874	A. P. 1875	14	28	42	6	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	0	40	60.56
Moultonborough,	Mar. 12, 1777				6	15	21	6	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0.00
Ossipee Center,	Sept. 26, 1806				15	37	52	12	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	40	36.00
Rochester,	Sept. 18, 1737	Abram J. Quick,	Mar. 30, 1864	A. P. 1875	46	111	157	22	4	0	4	4	4	0	8	4	1	125	152.94
Rollinsford,*	May 1, 1846				17	61	78	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	0.00
Sanbornton,	Nov. 13, 1771	Moses T. Runnels,	Aug. 13, 1856	June 11, 1868	45	88	133	15	23	1	24	3	0	0	3	14	3	150	234.26
Sandwich,	Sept. 17, 1814	Charles L. Tappan,	Jan. 28, 1864	A. P. 1871	7	26	33	7	5	3	8	2	0	0	2	2	0	50	5.00
" North,	June 27, 1832				10	13	23	6	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	2	0	0.00
Tamworth,	Sept. 12, 1792	John G. Wilson,	Dec. 12, 1851	A. P. 1874	24	56	80	15	0	1	1	3	2	0	5	0	0	115	56.00
Tuftonborough,*	May 1, 1839				1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Wakefield,	Sept. 17, 1785	George O. Jenness,	Feb. 8, 1861	A. P. 1875	5	22	27	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	45	87.30
Wolfeborough,	June 17, 1834	Robert B. Hall,	Nov. 13, 1873	Nov. 13, 1873	24	59	83	19	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	100	150.00
" North,	June 19, 1839	[Charles B. Ramsdell,	Licentiate.]	A. P. 1875	7	19	26	3	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	30	0.00
					634	1612	2246	504	63	11	74	61	24	3	88	47	27	2699	$3001.53

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 9; Acting Pastors, 15; Vacant, 8; Total, 32.

MINISTERS WITHOUT CHARGE. Nathaniel Barker, Wakefield, ordained Nov. 21, 1826; Almon Benson, Centre Harbor, ordained Dec. 23, 1840; Jeremiah Blake, D.D., Gilmanton Iron Works, ordained Nov. 1, 1838; Giles Leach, Meredith Village, ordained Feb. 6, 1833; Francis P. Smith, North Wolfeboro', ordained Sept. 2, 1838.

*Last year's report.

MOSES T. RUNNELS, *Statistical Secretary.*

VIII. SULLIVAN CONFERENCE.

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1, '75.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms		Sab. Sch.	Char. Coll.
Place and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.		
Acworth,	Mar. 12,1773	James Marshall,	Dec. 10,1871	June 9, 1874	58	93	151	33	25	3	28	5	1	0	6	13	6	90	$259.00
Charlestown,	Aug. 1, 1835	George W. Kinne,	Apr. 29,1874	Apr. 29,1874	10	34	44	12	8	7	15	0	2	0	2	5	1	65	13.61
Claremont,	1770	Levi Rodgers,	Oct. 19, 1871	Oct. 19, 1871	68	167	235	31	21	9	30	3	15	0	18	12	3	233	1050.41
Cornish,	Nov. 6, 1781	James T. Jackson,	Dec. 17,1874	Dec. 17, 1874	26	56	92	10	11	4	15	1	1	0	2	9	6	60	42.20
Croydon,	Sept. 9. 1778	None.			6	8	14	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Goshen,	Feb. 23,1802	Henry W.L.Thurston,	Aug. 25,1875	A. P. 1875	10	19	29	4	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	75	19.00
Langdon,	Feb. 11,1820	George F. Chapin,*	June, 1865	A. P. 1873	8	21	29	8	5	1	6	1	0	0	1	4	1	30	0.00
Lempster, 1st,	Nov. 13,1781	John LeBosquet.	Sept. 21,1836	A. P. 1871	23	30	53	13	2	3	5	2	1	0	3	0	0	50	47.00
Lempster, 2d,	Feb. 1, 1837	None.		9					0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Meriden,	May 2, 1780	Charles M. Palmer,	Dec. 8, 1868	Mar. 27.1873	49	75	124	48	4	3	7	1	4	0	5	4	1	130	214.94
Newport,	Oct. 28,1779	Ephraim E. P.Abbott,	May 6. 1868	Mar. 24,1875	95	180	275	50	27	8	35	7	0	0	7	21	1	250	600.00
Plainfield,	Sept.20,1804	None.																	
Washington,	May 20,1780	Henry H. Colburn,†	May 19,1869	A. P. 1871	3	17	20	3	3	1	4	3	0	0	3	3	0	35	21.00
					366	700	1075	218	111	39	150	23	24	0	47	73	19	1018	$2267.16

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 6; with Acting Pastors, 4; Vacant, 3; Total, 13.

MINISTERS WITHOUT CHARGE. Lewis A. Austin, Principal Kimball Union Academy, Meriden, ordained June 26, 1862; Henry H. Saunderson, Charlestown, ordained April 20, 1848.

*Also A. P., Alstead, Cheshire Co. †Also A. P., Stoddard, Cheshire Co.

GEO. W. KINNE, *Statistical Secretary.*

SUMMARY.

CONFERENCES.	Churches.				Ministers.				C'h Members June 1, 1875.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.		No. in Sab. Sch.	Contributions.
	With Pas.	With A. P.	Vacant.	Total.	Pas.	A.P.	Others.	Total.	Males	Fem.	Total.	Abs.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Dth	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.		
1. Cheshire,	9	13	3	25	9	12	6	27	744	1665	2409	423	106	57	163	42	53	1	96	81	22	3273	$5908.81
2. Coos,	2	4	3	9	2	2	0	4	163	395	558	104	31	20	51	3	12	0	15	18	4	678	751.40
3. Grafton,	8	11	4	23	8	9	10	27	661	1402	2072	459	61	60	121	39	40	3	82	37	10	2194	3402.74
4. Hillsboro' *Cong.*,	15	9	5	29	17	8	11	37	1689	3443	5132	728	521	171	692	93	189	5	287	302	32	6002	12808.71
" *Presb.*,	2	1	1	4	2	0	0	2	186	377	563	83	42	3	45	14	7	0	21	25	7	719	811.77
5. Merrimack,	9	9	7	25	9	8	9	26	855	1867	2722	460	145	62	207	61	40	0	101	91	22	2958	4937.14
6. Rockingham *Cong.*	13	13	5	31	13	12	4	29	884	2123	3007	546	101	57	158	77	54	0	131	66	10	3420	6207.77
" *Presb.*	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	2	84	210	294	65	19	1	20	11	7	0	18	8	5	360	254.56
7. Strafford,	9	15	8	32	9	13	5	27	634	1612	2246	504	63	11	74	61	24	3	88	47	27	2699	3001.53
8. Sullivan,	6	4	3	13	6	4	2	12	366	700	1075	218	111	39	150	23	24	0	47	73	19	1018	2267.16
Total of Cong. Ch's.	71	78	38	187	73	68	47	188	5996	13207	19221	3441	1139	477	1616	399	436	12	847	715	146	22242	39285.26
Total of Presb. Ch's.	4	1	1	6	4	0	0	4	270	587	857	148	61	4	65	25	14	0	39	33	12	1079	1066.33
Total.	75	79	39	193	77	68	47	192	6266	13794	20078	3589	1200	481	1681	424	450	12	886	748	158	23321	40351.59

PARSONAGES, FAMILIES AND SALARIES.

An effort has been made to collect statistics in regard to parsonages and their value, the number of families represented in our congregations, and the salaries of ministers; all of which items are of interest to us, and help to show the condition of our churches. But so many have failed to report, that we have thought it best to tabulate what has been received, by Counties, in the hope that, at another time, there may be presented complete returns from every church.

CONFERENCES.	Parsonages.				Families.				Salaries, including Parsonages.			
	Churches reporting Parsonages.	Average value.	Highest value.	Lowest value.	Churches reporting.	Total.	Largest Number.	Smallest Number.	Churches reporting.	Highest.	Lowest.	Average.
Cheshire,	16	$1587	$4000	$600	23	1553	175	6	23	$ 2200	$600	$917.00
Coos,	0				0				0			
Grafton,	11	2027	5000	800	16	1143	200	15	17	2000	625	1009.00
Hillsboro',	16	2276	5000	1200	28	3302	260	31	23	2500	450	1136.00
Merrimack,	9	2133	6000	800	19	1641	350	20	19	2500	450	1004.00
Rockingham.	24	2452	6000	1000	26	1912	143	30	29	2500	350	1034.00
Strafford,	12	1964	4500	500	15	1015	147	25	18	2000	550	969.00
Sullivan,	7	1885	4500	800	10	560	138	16	10	1650	600	975.00
	95	$2046	$6000	$500	137	11126	260	6	125	$2500	$350	$1006.28

RECORD OF CHANGES DURING THE YEAR 1874–5.

TABLE OF CHANGES BY CONFERENCES.

CONFERENCES.	Churches.				Ministers.							Sabbath Schools		Benevolent Contributions.	
	Number.		Members.		Pastors.					De'ths					
	New.	Dropped.	Gain.	Loss.	Ordained.	Installed.	Dismissed.	Died.	Ordained without Installation.	Act'g Pastors.	Others.	Gain.	Loss.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cheshire,	0	1	65	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	120	$667.04	$0.00
Coos,	0	1	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	62	222.50	0.00
Grafton,	1	0	40	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	74	0	287.64	0.00
Hillsboro',	0	0	661	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	90	0	0.00	1287.82
Merrimack,	0	0	133	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	151	0	0.00	1577.82
Rockingham,	0	0	0	75	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	93	90.93	0.00
Strafford,	0	0	0	32	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	200	0.00	79.56
Sullivan,	0	0	58	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	40	0.00	541.71
Total,	1	2	849	0	8	7	6	1	2	1	2	0	200	$0.00	$2218.18
Total 1873-4,	0	0	0	68	6	6	1	1	0	0	4	416	0	1005.92	0.00

NOTE. In the column of "Ministers" is included the period from August 31st, 1874, to September 1st, 1875. The other columns embrace the time from May 30th, 1874, to June 1st, 1875.

CHANGES IN THE LIST OF CHURCHES.

NEW CHURCH.

Munroe, Grafton Conference, organized August 18, 1874.

CHURCHES DROPPED.

Franconia, Coos Conference.

Westmoreland, Cheshire Conference, by the union of two churches.

MINISTERIAL RECORD.

PASTORS ORDAINED AND INSTALLED.

1874. Sept. 10, Marion D. Bisbee, Fisherville.
Oct. 20, Edward P. Butler, Lyme.
Oct. 27, Charles E. Harrington, Lancaster.
Dec. 17, James T. Jackson, Cornish.
Dec. 29, Charles N. Flanders, Westmoreland.
1875. June 30, Joseph A. Freeman, Boscawen.
July 9, William A. Rand, South Seabrook.
July 22, George Rodgers, Gilmanton Iron Works.

ORDAINED WITHOUT INSTALLATION.

1874. Oct. 28, Edward G. Stone, Newcastle.
1875. Aug. 25, Henry W. L. Thurston, Goshen.

INSTALLED.

1874. Dec. 17, Sanford S. Martyn, Olive St., Nashua.
Dec. 29, Clarendon A. Stone, Hopkinton.
1875. Feb. 23, Luther B. Pert, Londonderry. (*Presb.*)
Feb. 25, Edward S. Huntress, East Derry.
March 3, Matthew A. Gates, Warner.
March 24, Ephraim E. P. Abbott, Newport.
June 1, Hiram L. Kelsey, Hollis.

DISMISSED.

1874. Oct. 27, Henry V. Emmons, Lancaster.
1875. Jan. 13, Erasmus D. Eldridge, Kensington.
Jan. 28, Harvey M. Stone, Rochester.
March 29, Charles F. Morse, Atkinson.
March 31, William E. Dickinson, Walpole.
April 21, William J. Tucker, Franklin St., Manchester.

DECEASED.

1874. Sept. 21, Alvan Tobey, D.D., South Berwick, Me.
1875. Jan. 28, John K. Young, D.D., Laconia.
Feb. 25, Irving D. Adkinson, West Concord.
June 10, Josiah Morse, M.D., Groveton.
June 22, John W. Starr, West Stewartstown.

NOTICES OF NEW-HAMPSHIRE MINISTERS DECEASED.

IRVING D. ADKINSON, pastor, West Concord. Born in Morefield, Iowa, November 11, 1837. Graduated at Hillsdale College, Michigan, 1863. Ordained Freewill Baptist, August, 1866. Studied Theology at Bangor with the class of 1869. Installed at West Concord, May 6, 1874. This was his only settlement; his previous calling having been to occupy a professorship in one of the colleges of the Freewill Baptists at the West. He struggled for many years against poor health, and finally fell a victim to pulmonary disease. He died Feb. 25, 1875.

ARCHIBALD FLEMMING, without charge. Born in Paisley, Scotland, February 13th, 1800; son of Robert and Elizabeth (McNeil) Flemming. He came to this country in 1819, and settled in Burlington, Vermont, in 1820. Graduated at the University of Vermont in 1828; studied theology in the Seminary at Princeton, New Jersey, but never graduated. Ordained and installed at Whitehall, New York, by the Presbytery of Troy, September 6th, 1832. Installed over the Congregational church, Haverhill, June 27th, 1838, from which he was dismissed September 23rd, 1841. Installed at Brookfield, Vermont, October, 1849. Became acting pastor at Constable, New York, December, 1861. The intervals between and after his pastorates, were filled up with teaching and the temporary supply of pulpits, till his death, at Malone, New York, June 3d, 1875.

DAVID KIMBALL, without charge. Born in Hopkinton, March 18, 1791; son of David and Priscilla (Herrick) Kimball. Graduated at Yale College in 1818; and at Andover Theological

Seminary in 1821. Ordained pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Martinsburg, New York, June 27, 1822. Formed a church at Lowville, New York, to which he ministered, in connection with the one at Martinsburg, till 1831, when he went to Plainfield, Maine, where he remained till 1835. From 1835 to 1840 he was editor of the *New Hampshire Observer*, at Concord. He supplied the church at Hanover Center from 1845 to 1848, when he became superintendent and proprietor of the *Dartmouth Press*, at Hanover, which position he filled for twenty-one years. During this period he supplied several churches, among them Weathersfield Center, Vermont, from 1851 to 1855. He removed to Rockford, Illinois, where he died February 8th, 1875.

JAMES TOMB MCCOLLOM, pastor at Medford, Mass. Born in Salem, N. Y., September 20, 1814; son of John and Margaret (Graham) McCollom. Graduated at Dartmouth College 1835, and was tutor 1837–8; at Andover Theological Seminary 1840. Ordained pastor at Pittson, Maine, June 25, 1841, remaining until September 24, 1844. He was installed at Great Falls, October 2, 1844, where he remained till December 27, 1853. Pastor at Bradford, Mass., from January 25, 1854 to September 19, 1865. Pastor of Trinitarian church, Medford, Mass., November 8, 1865, until his death, at that place, November 25, 1874.

JOSIAH MORSE, M.D., without charge. Born in Danville, Vermont, September 7, 1798; son of Oliver and Sally (Haines) Morse. His father was a physician, with whom he studied medicine, and practiced for awhile. Ordained pastor at St. Johnsbury Center, Vt., February, 1833. Subsequently he was acting pastor and physician at Concord, Vt., and West Stewartstown, where he went April, 1846, and where he organized a church, July 1, 1846, to which he ministered till 1850. He practiced medicine for upward of twenty years in Groveton, where he died, June 10, 1875.

CHARLES PICKERING RUSSELL, without charge. Born in Greenfield, Mass., April 3, 1801; son of John and Electa (Edwards) Russell. Entered Amherst College 1821, went to Yale College in 1822, and remained till Senior year, but never graduated. In Andover Theological Seminary between 1827 and 1830. Ordained pastor at Candia, Dec. 25, 1833; dismissed May 26, 1841. Never able after to preach, on account of a bronchial affection. Resided most of the time in Washington, D. C., where he died, February 2, 1874. (Omitted last year.)

JOHN WOLCOTT STARR, acting pastor at West Stewartstown. Born in Guilford, Conn., March 9, 1848; son of John Shipman and Lydia Austin (Lay) Starr. Graduated at Yale College in 1871, and Yale Theological Seminary in 1874. Immediately after he went to West Stewartstown for one year, but the vigorous climate was too much for his weak lungs, and he died at that place, of lung fever, June 22, 1875. His term of service would have expired the following Sabbath.

SAMUEL GILMAN TENNY, without charge. Born in Rowley, Mass., April 12, 1793; son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Jewett) Tenney. Graduated at Dartmouth College 1823. Studied theology with Rev. Walter Chapin, of Woodstock, Vt. Ordained pastor at Lyndon, Vt., June 29, 1825; dismissed January 19, 1831. Preached at Bakersfield, Vt., from January, 1831, to November, 1834. Pastor at Waitsfield, Vt., from July 8, 1835 to July 4, 1837. Pastor at Hillsboro' Center, N. H., from July 4, 1838 to May 29, 1839, preaching here one year previous to his installation. Preached at Wardsboro', Vt., from March, 1843, and was installed pastor September 24, 1844; dismissed February 6, 1850. Acting pastor Alstead Center from July, 1850 to March, 1857; at Charlestown during a part of 1858, 1862 and 1864. Resided since 1857 in Springfield, Vt., where he died, December 5, 1874.

ALVAN TOBEY, D.D. (See Minutes 1874.)

JOHN KIMBALL YOUNG, D.D., without charge. Born in Dover, March 22, 1802; son of Nathaniel and Betsey (Kimball) Young. Graduated at Dartmouth College 1821; Andover Theological Seminary 1829. Ordained an Evangelist by the Londonderry Presbytery at Boston, Mass., September 24, 1829. Pastor at Meredith Bridge, now Laconia, from November 30, 1831 to February 12, 1867. Acting pastor at Hopkinton from 1867 to 1874. Received the honorary degree of D. D. from Dartmouth College in 1859. At the termination of his labors in Hopkinton, he removed to Laconia, where he died January 28, 1875.

NAMES OF MINISTERS

CONNECTED WITH NEW-HAMPSIRE CONFERENCES OR ASSOCIATIONS, IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, WITH THE POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF EACH AND WITH THE NUMBER OF CONFERENCE OR ASSOCIATION IN WHICH EACH NAME OCCURS.

Name.	Post Office.	Conf.	Asso.
Abbott, Ephraim E. P.,	Newport,	8.	X.
Adams, Daniel E.,	Wilton,	4.	IV.
Adams, John,	Hillsboro' Center,	4.	
Aldrich, Jeremiah K.,	Rye,	6.	
Alvord, Frederick,	Nashua,	4.	IV.
Austin, Lewis A.,	Meriden,	8.	X.
Ayer, Franklin D.,	Concord,	5.	V.
Ayers, Walter H.,	Lebanon,	3.	XIII.
Bacon, William F.,	Laconia,	7.	I.
Bard, George I.,	Meredith,	7.	I.
Barker, Nathaniel,	Wakefield,	7.	III.
Barrows, John O.,	*Western Turkey*,		IX.
Bartlett, Joseph,	So. Newmarket,	6.	IX.
Bassett, John F.,	Dublin,	1.	
Benson, Almon,	Center Harbor,	7.	I.
Berry, Augustus,	Pelham,	4.	II.
Biglow, Asahel,	Hancock,	4.	XII.
Bisbee, Marion D.,	Fisherville,	5.	V.
Bittinger, John Q.,	Haverhill,	3.	VIII.
Blake, Jeremiah, M.D.,	Gilmanton I. W.,	7.	XI.
Blake, Joseph,	Gilmanton,	7.	I.
Blake, S. Leroy,	Concord,	5.	V.
Blakely, Quincy,	Campton,	3.	I.
Bouton, Nathaniel,	Concord,	5.	V.
Bowker, Samuel,	Salem,	6.	IX.
Bragdon, John,	Hillsboro' Bridge,	4.	
Brigham, Levi,	Troy,	1.	VII.
Bullard, Ebenezer W.,	Hampstead,	6.	II.
Burbank, Justin E.,			VII.
Burnham, Abraham,	East Concord,	5.	V.
Butler, Edward P.,	Lyme,	3.	VIII.
Buxton, Edward,	Webster,	5.	V.
Byington, Swift,	Exeter,	6.	IX.

Name.	Post Office.	Conf.	Asso.
Campbell, Henry F.,	Francestown,	4.	
Carpenter, E. Irvin,	Swanzey,	1.	VII.
Carr, William O.,	Barnstead Parade,	7.	XI.
Case, Rufus,	Jaffrey,	1.	VII.
Chandler, Frederic D.,	Kensington,	6.	IX.
Chapin, George F.,	Alstead,	1 & 8.	VII.
Chapman, Jacob,	Kingston,	6.	IX.
Child, Alexander C.,	Orfordville,	3.	VIII.
Choate, Washington,	Manchester,	4.	
Clark, Edward W.,	*Westboro', Mass.*,		X.
Clark, Frank G.,	Rindge,	1.	VII.
Clark, John,	Plymouth,	3.	I.
Clark, Sereno D.,	Temple,	4.	IV.
Clark, William,	Amherst,	4.	IV.
Cleveland, Edward,	Bath,	3.	VIII.
Coan, Leander S.,	Alton,	7.	
Cochrane, Warren R.,	Antrim,	4.	XII.
Cogswell, Elliott C.,	Northwood,	6.	
Colburn, Henry H.,	Washington,	1 & 8.	VII.
Colby, John,	Fitzwilliam,	1.	
Conant, Liba,	Orford,	3.	VIII.
Connell, David,	Plymouth,	3.	
Cook, Jonathan B.,	Hebron,	3.	V.
Curtice, Corban,	Tilton,	5.	V.
Davis, Franklin,	Newington,	6.	IX.
Davis, Josiah G.,	Amherst,	4.	IV.
Dickinson, William E.,	Walpole,	1.	VII.
Doldt, James,	Canterberry,	5.	III.
Dowden, William H.,	East Jaffrey,	1.	
Downs, Charles A.,	Lebanon,		X.
Drake, Samuel S.,	Sullivan,	1.	VII.
Duncan, Thomas W.,	Nelson,	1.	VII.
Dustan, George,	Peterboro',	4.	XII.
Eldredge, Erasmus D.,	Kensington,	6.	IX.
Ferris, Leonard Z.,	*Gorham, Me.*,		XI.
Fiske, Albert W.,	Fisherville,	5.	V.
Flanders, Charles N.,	Westmoreland,	1.	V.
Foss, George A.,	Chichester,	5.	VII.
Freeman, Joseph A.,	Boscawen,	5.	
Gates, Matthew A.,	Warner,	5.	V.
Gay, Joshua S.,	Center Harbor,	7.	I.
Gay, William M.,	Reed's Ferry,	4.	
Gerould, Samuel L.,	Goffstown,	4.	II.
Goodwin, Daniel,	Mason,	4.	IV.
Goodyear, George,	Temple,	4.	IV.

Name.	Post Office.	Conf.	Asso.
Goodrich, Darius N.,	Greenfield,	4.	VII.
Gould, Mark,	Nelson,	1.	VII.
Greeley, Edward H.,	Concord,	5.	V.
Greeley, Stephen S. N.,	Pittsfield,	5.	
Hadley, James B.,	Campton,	3.	I.
Haines, Thomas V.,	Northampton,	6.	IX.
Haley, Frank,	Dover,	7.	IX.
Hall, Jeffries,	Chesterfield,	1.	
Hall, Robert B.,	Wolfeboro',	7.	IX.
Harmon, Elijah,	Winchester,	1.	VII.
Harrington, Charles E.,	Lancaster,	2.	VI.
Harris, Leonard W.,	Colebrook,	2.	VI.
Hartshorne, Vaola J.,	*Hyannis, Mass.*,		XIII.
Haskell, Ezra,	Dover,		IX.
Haskins, Robert W.,	Derry,	6.	II.
Hayward, Silvanus,	Gilsum,	1.	IX.
Hibbard, David S.,	Loudon,	5.	I.
Holbrook, Amos,	Harrisville,	1.	VII.
Holman, Morris,	Antrim,	4.	XII.
Holmes, James,	Bennington,	4.	XII.
Hubbard, Charles L.,	Merrimack,	4.	II.
Huntress, Edward S.,	East Derry,	6.	II.
Jackson, James T.,	Cornish,	8.	X.
Jackson, William C.,	Brentwood,	6.	IX.
Jenness, George O.,	Wakefield,	7.	
Jennison, Edwin,	Winchester,	1.	
Jewett, William R.,	Concord,	5.	V.
Keeler, Seth H.,	Mont Vernon,	4.	IV.
Kelsey, Hiram L.,	Hollis,	4.	IV.
Kendall, Henry A.,	East Concord,	5.	V.
Kinne, George W.,	Charlestown,	8.	X.
Knowlton, Francis B.,	Orford,	3.	VIII.
Ladd, Horatio O.,	Plymouth,	3.	I.
Leach, Giles,	Meredith,	7.	I.
Leach, Joseph A.,	Keene,	1.	VII.
LeBosquet, John,	Lempster,	8.	X.
Lee, Samuel,	New Ipswich,	4.	
Leeds, Samuel P.,	Hanover,	3.	XIII.
Lees, John W.,	Lee,	7.	IX.
Litch, J. Lincoln,	*McIndoe's Falls, Vt.*,	3.	
Lovejoy, George E.,	Candia,	6.	
Manning, Abel,	Goffstown,	4.	
Marden, Augustus L.,	Piermont,	3.	VIII.
Marshall, James,	Acworth,	8.	X.
Martyn, Sanford S.,	Nashua,	4.	IV.

Name.	Post Office	Conf.	Asso.
Martyn, W. Carlos,	Portsmouth,	6.	IX.
McClenning, Daniel B.,	Hanover Center,	3.	XIII.
McGee, Jonathan,	Nashua,	4.	IV.
Merriam, George F.,	Greenville,	4.	IV.
Merrill, John L.,	Marlboro',	1.	VII.
Michael, George,	Milton Mills,	7.	
Milliken, Charles E.,	Littleton,	2.	VIII.
Moody, Howard,	East Andover,	5.	V.
Moore, Albert W.,	Bristol,	3.	
Moore, Nathaniel S.,	*Brooklyn, N. Y.*,		XI.
Morrill, Stephen S.,	*Harvard, Mass.*		V.
Morss, George H.,	Henniker,	5.	V.
Norcross, S. Girard,	Conway,	7.	
Noyes, Daniel J.,	Hanover,	3.	XIII.
Otis, Israel T.,	Exeter,	6.	IX.
Packard, Charles,	Windham,	6.	II.
Page, Jesse,	Atkinson,	6.	II.
Palmer, Charles M.,	Meriden,	8.	X.
Parker, Henry E.,	Hanover,	3.	XIII.
Parsons, Ebenezer G.,	*Byfield, Mass.*,		II.
Partridge, Samuel H.,	Greenfield,	4.	XII.
Patten, William A.,	Raymond,	6.	IX.
Peabody, Albert B.,	Stratham,	6.	IX.
Pert, Luther B.,	Londonderry,	6.	II.
Pierce, George, jr.,	Milford,	4.	IV.
Pierce, George J.,	Wentworth,	3.	
Pitkin, Paul H.,	Farmington,	7.	
Pond, Benjamin W.,	*Washington, D.C.*,		IX.
Pratt, George H.,	Seabrook,	6.	
Pratt, Theodore C.,	Hancock,	4.	V.
Pulsifer, Daniel,	Danbury,	3.	
Putnam, Hiram B.,	*Salem, Mass.*,		V.
Quick, Abram J.,	Rochester,	7.	
Rand, William A.,	So. Seabrook,	6.	
Rand, William H.,	Manchester,	4.	II.
Rich, Alonzo B.,	West Lebanon,	3.	XIII.
Richards, Austin,	*Boston, Mass.*,		IV.
Richardson, Cyrus,	Keene,	1.	VII.
Richardson, Gilbert B.,	East Alstead,	1.	VII.
Riddell, Samuel H.,	Tamworth,	7.	III.
Roberts, Thomas E.,	Keene,	1.	VII.
Robie, Edward,	Greenland,	6.	IX.
Robie, Thomas S.,	Walpole,	1.	IV.
Rodgers, George,	Gilmanton I. W.,	7.	
Rodgers, Levi,	Claremont,	8.	X.

Name.	Post Office.	Conf.	Asso.
Rood, Heman,	Hanover,	3.	XIII.
Runnels, Moses T.,	Sanbornton,	7.	I.
Sargent, Frank D.,	Brookline,	4.	IX.
Saunderson, Henry H.,	Charlestown,	8.	
Sawyer, Daniel,	Hopkinton,	5.	
Scott, George H.,	Plymouth,	3.	I.
Selden, Edward G.,	Manchester,	4.	II.
Seymour, Bela N.,	New Ipswich,	4.	IV.
Shattuck, Amos F.,	Hollis,	4.	IV.
Smith, Asa D.,	Hanover,	3.	XIII.
Smith, Bezaleel,	*West Hartford, Vt.*,		XIII.
Smith, Francis P.,	No. Wolfeboro',	7.	
Smith, George,	Danbury,	3.	V.
Smith, Isaiah P.,		5.	V.
Smith, John C.,	Winchester,	1.	
Spalding, George B.,	Dover,	7.	IX.
Spear, William E.	Dunbarton,	5.	V.
Stearns, Josiah H.,	Epping,	6.	IX.
Stone, Baman N.,	*Fryeburg, Me.*		XI.
Stone, Clarendon A.,	Hopkinton,	5.	V.
Stone, Edward G.,	Newcastle,	6.	IX.
Stone, Harvey M.,	*Winchester, Mass.*,		IX.
Street, George E.,	Exeter,	6.	IX.
Talbot, Henry L.,	Durham,	7.	
Tappan, Charles L.,	Sandwich,	7.	I.
Tenney, Charles,	Chester,	6.	II
Tenney, Erdix,	*Westboro', Mass.*,		VIII.
Tewksbury, George F.,	Gorham,	2.	
Thompson, George W.,	Stratham,	6.	
Thurston, Henry W. L.,	Goshen,	8.	X.
Titus, Eugene H.,	*Georgetown, Mass.*,		IX.
Tracy, Caleb B.,	Wilmot,	5.	V.
Tucker, William J.,	*New York City*,		II.
Tyson, Ira C.,	Bedford,	4.	II.
Wallace, Cyrus W.,	Manchester,	4.	II.
Watson, Albert,	Barrington,	7.	
Watson, Charles C.,	Hinsdale,	1.	VII.
Webb, Stephen W.,	Great Falls,	7.	IX.
Wells, Rufus P.,	Mason,	4.	IV.
Wetherby, Charles,	Nashua,	4.	IV.
White, Isaac C.,	Newmarket,	6.	IX.
White, Lyman,	Deerfield,	5.	V.
Willey, Isaac,	Pembroke,	5.	V.
Wilson, John G.,	Tamworth,	7.	
Wood, Horace,	Gilsum,	1.	VII.

LICENTIATES.

Name.	P. O. Address.	Approbated.
Bartlett, Frederick H.,	Bristol,	July 9, 1872.
Colwell, John W.,	West Concord,	June 23, 1874.
Hall, Albert E.,	Dalton,	Feb. 2, 1875.
Hart, William D.,	Litchfield,	Apr. 30, 1872.
Houghton, Charles E.,	Auburn,	May, 1875.
Leavitt, J. Henry,	Chatham,	
Lowell, John N.,	Milton,	Jan. 19, 1875.
Palmer, A. Burton,	South Weare,	Mar. 10, 1875.
Parker, Francis,	Enfield,	June 23, 1874.
Proctor, John C.,	Hanover,	1869.
Ramsdell, Charles B.,	North Wolfeboro',	April, 1874.
Rand, Lyman F.,	Keene,	May, 1873.
Sanborn, Edwin D.,	Hanover,	Nov. 1, 1836.

INDEX OF ALL THE CITIES AND TOWNS IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

The name of the county follows that of each town. The number is that of the Conference in the tables of which the statistics of the church are given in preceding pages. "No church" is only no Congregational or Presbyterian church.

1.	Acworth,	Sullivan,	8.
2.	Albany,	Carroll,	No church.
3.	Alexandria,	Grafton,	Ch. extinct.
4.	Allenstown,	Merrimack,	No church.
5.	Alstead,	Cheshire,	1.
6.	Alton,	Belknap,	7.
7.	Amherst,	Hillsboro',	4.
8.	Andover,	Merrimack,	5.
9.	Antrim,	Hillsboro',	4.
10.	Ashland,	Grafton,	No church.
11.	Atkinson,	Rockingham,	6.
12.	Auburn,	"	6.
13.	Barnstead,	Belknap,	7.
14.	Barrington,	Strafford,	7.
15.	Bartlett,	Carroll,	No church.
16.	Bath,	Grafton,	3.
17.	Bedford,	Hillsboro',	4.
18.	Belmont,	Belknap,	No church.
19.	Bennington,	Hillsboro',	4.
20.	Benton,	Grafton,	No church.
21.	Berlin,	Coos,	No church.
22.	Bethlehem,	Grafton,	3.
23.	Boscawen,	Merrimack,	5.
24.	Bow,	"	No church.
25.	Bradford,	"	5.
26.	Brentwood,	Rockingham,	6.
27.	Bridgewater,	Grafton,	Ch. extinct.
28.	Bristol,	"	3.
29.	Brookfield,	Carroll,	No church.
30.	Brookline,	Hillsboro',	4.
31.	Cambridge,	Coos,	No church.
32.	Campton,	Grafton,	3.
33.	Canaan,	"	3.
34.	Candia,	Rockingham,	6.
35.	Canterbury,	Merrimack,	5.

36.	Carroll,	Coos,	No church.
37.	Centre Harbor,	Belknap,	7.
38.	Charlestown,	Sullivan,	8.
39.	Chatham,	Carroll,	2.
40.	Chester,	Rockingham,	6.
41.	Chesterfield,	Cheshire,	1.
42.	Chichester,	Merrimack,	5.
43.	Claremont,	Sullivan,	8.
44.	Clarksville,	Coos,	No church.
45.	Colebrook,	"	2.
46.	Columbia,	"	No church.
47.	Concord,	Merrimack,	5.
48.	Conway,	Carroll,	7.
49.	Cornish,	Sullivan,	8.
50.	Croydon,	"	8.
51.	Dalton,	Coos,	2.
52.	Danbury,	Grafton,	3.
53.	Danville,	Rockingham,	Ch. extinct.
54.	Deerfield,	"	6.
55.	Deering,	Hillsboro',	4.
56.	Derry,	Rockingham,	6.
57.	Dorchester,	Grafton,	Ch. extinct.
58.	Dover,	Strafford,	7.
59.	Dublin,	Cheshire,	1.
60.	Dummer,	Coos,	No church.
61.	Dunbarton,	Merrimack,	5.
62.	Durham,	Strafford,	7.
63.	East Kingston,	Rockingham,	Ch. extinct.
64.	Eaton,	Carroll,	No church.
65.	Effingham,	"	7.
66.	Ellsworth,	Grafton,	No church.
67.	Enfield,	"	3.
68.	Epping,	Rockingham,	6.
69.	Epsom,	Merrimack,	5.
70.	Erroll,	Coos,	No church.
71.	Exeter,	Rockingham,	6.
72.	Farmington,	Strafford,	7.
	Fisherville,	Merrimack,	5.
73.	Fitzwilliam,	Cheshire,	1.
74.	Francestown,	Hillsboro',	4.
75.	Franconia,	Grafton,	Ch. extinct.
76.	Franklin,	Merrimack,	5.
77.	Freedom,	Carroll,	No church.
78.	Freemont,	Rockingham,	" "
79.	Gilford,	Belknap,	" "
80.	Gilmanton,	"	7.

81.	Gilsum,	Cheshire,	1.
82.	Goffstown,	Hillsboro',	4.
83.	Gorham,	Coos,	2.
84.	Goshen,	Sullivan,	8.
85.	Gosport,	Rockingham,	Ch. extinct.
86.	Grafton,	Grafton,	No church.
87.	Grantham,	Sullivan,	" "
	Great Falls,	In Somersworth,	7.
88.	Greenfield,	Hillsboro',	4.
89.	Greenland,	Rockingham,	6.
90.	Greenville,	Hillsboro',	4.
91.	Groton,	Grafton,	3.
92.	Hampstead,	Rockingham,	6.
93.	Hampton,	"	6.
94.	Hampton Falls,	"	6.
95.	Hancock,	Hillsboro',	4.
96.	Hanover,	Grafton,	3.
97.	Harrisville,	Cheshire,	1.
98.	Hart's Location,	Carroll,	No church.
99.	Haverhill,	Grafton,	3.
100.	Hebron,	"	3.
101.	Henniker,	Merrimack,	5.
102.	Hill,	"	5.
103.	Hillsboro',	Hillsboro',	4.
104.	Hinsdale,	Cheshire,	1.
105.	Holderness,	Grafton,	No church.
106.	Hollis,	Hillsboro',	4.
107.	Hooksett,	Merrimack,	5.
108.	Hopkinton,	"	5.
109.	Hudson,	Hillsboro',	4.
110.	Jackson,	Carroll,	No church.
111.	Jaffrey,	Cheshire,	1.
112.	Jefferson,	Coos,	No church.
113.	Keene,	Cheshire,	1.
114.	Kensington,	Rockingham,	6.
115.	Kingston,	"	6.
116.	Laconia,	Belknap,	7.
117.	Lancaster,	Coos,	2.
118.	Landaff,	Grafton,	No church.
119.	Landgon,	Sullivan,	8.
120.	Lebanon,	Grafton,	3.
121.	Lee,	Strafford,	7.
122.	Lempster,	Sullivan,	8.
123.	Lincoln,	Grafton,	No church.
124.	Lisbon,	"	" "

125.	Litchfield,	Hillsboro',	4.
126.	Littleton,	Grafton,	2.
127.	Londonderry,	Rockingham,	6.
128.	Loudon,	Merrimack,	5.
129.	Lyman,	Grafton,	Ch. extinct.
130.	Lyme,	"	3.
131.	Lyndeboro',	Hillsboro',	4.
132.	Madbury,	Strafford,	No church.
133.	Madison,	Carroll,	" "
134.	Manchester,	Hillsboro',	4.
135.	Marlboro',	Cheshire,	1.
136.	Marlow,	"	Ch. extinct.
137.	Mason,	Hillsboro',	4.
138.	Meredith,	Belknap,	7.
	Meriden,	In Plainfield,	8.
139.	Merrimack,	Hillsboro',	4.
140.	Middleton,	Strafford,	Ch. extinct.
141.	Milan,	Coos,	No church.
142.	Milford,	Hillsboro',	4.
143.	Milton,	Strafford,	7.
144.	Monroe,	Grafton,	3.
145.	Mont Vernon,	Hillsboro',	4.
146.	Moultonboro',	Carroll,	7.
147.	Nashua,	Hillsboro',	4.
148.	Nelson,	Cheshire,	1.
149.	New Boston,	Hillsboro',	4.
150.	Newbury,	Merrimack,	No church.
151.	Newcastle,	Rockingham,	6.
152.	New Durham,	Strafford,	Ch. extinct.
153.	New Hampton,	Belknap,	" "
154.	Newington,	Rockingham,	6.
155.	New Ipswich,	Hillsboro',	4.
156.	New London,	Merrimack,	No church.
157.	Newmarket,	Rockingham,	6.
158.	Newport,	Sullivan,	8.
159.	Newton,	Rockingham,	Ch. extinct.
160.	Northfield,	Merrimack,	5.
161.	North Hampton,	Rockingham,	6.
162.	Northumberland,	Coos,	No church.
163.	Northwood,	Rockingham,	6.
164.	Nottingham,	"	Ch. extinct.
165.	Orange,	Grafton,	" "
166.	Orford,	"	3.
167.	Ossipee,	Carroll,	7.
168.	Pelham,	Hillsboro',	4.

169.	Pembroke,	Merrimack,	5.
170.	Peterboro',	Hillsboro',	4.
171.	Piermont,	Grafton,	3.
172.	Pittsburg,	Coos,	No church.
173.	Pittsfield,	Merrimack,	5.
174.	Plainfield,	Sullivan,	8.
175.	Plaistow,	Rockingham,	6.
176.	Plymouth,	Grafton,	3.
177.	Portsmouth,	Rockingham,	6.
178.	Randolph,	Coos,	No church.
179.	Raymond,	Rockingham,	6.
180.	Richmond,	Cheshire,	No Church.
181.	Rindge,	"	1.
182.	Rochester,	Strafford,	7.
183.	Rollinsford,	"	7.
184.	Roxbury,	Cheshire,	1.
185.	Rumney,	Grafton,	(?) No church.
186.	Rye,	Rockingham,	6.
187.	Salem,	"	6.
188.	Salisbury,	Merrimack,	5.
	Salmon Falls,	In Rollinsford,	7.
189.	Sanbornton,	Belknap,	7.
190.	Sandown,	Rockingham,	Ch. extinct.
191.	Sandwich,	Carroll,	7.
192.	Seabrook,	Rockingham,	6.
193.	Sharon,	Hillsboro',	Ch. extinct.
194.	Shelburne,	Coos,	2.
195.	Somersworth,	Strafford,	7.
196.	South Hampton,	Rockingham,	Ch. extinct.
197.	South Newmarket,	"	6.
198.	Springfield,	Sullivan,	Ch. extinct.
199.	Stark,	Coos,	" "
200.	Stewartstown,	"	2.
201.	Stoddard,	Cheshire,	1.
202.	Strafford,	Strafford,	No church.
203.	Stratford,	Coos,	" "
204.	Stratham,	Rockingham,	6.
205.	Sullivan,	Cheshire,	1.
206.	Sunapee,	Sullivan,	Ch. extinct.
207.	Surry,	Cheshire,	1.
208.	Sutton,	Merrimack,	No church.
209.	Swanzey,	Cheshire,	1.
210.	Tamworth,	Carroll,	7.
211.	Temple,	Hillsboro',	4.
212.	Thornton,	Grafton,	Ch. extinct.

213.	Tilton,	Belknap,	5.
214.	Troy,	Cheshire,	1.
215.	Tuftonboro',	Carroll,	Ch. extinct.
216.	Unity,	Sullivan,	" "
217.	Wakefield,	Carroll,	7.
218.	Walpole,	Cheshire,	1.
219.	Warner,	Merrimack,	5.
220.	Warren,	Grafton,	No church.
221.	Washington,	Sullivan,	8.
222.	Waterville,	Grafton,	No church.
223.	Weare,	Hillsboro',	Ch. extinct.
224.	Webster,	Merrimack,	5.
225.	Wentworth,	Grafton,	3.
226.	Wentworth's Location,	Coos,	No church.
227.	Westmoreland,	Cheshire,	1.
228.	Whitefield,	Coos,	Ch. extinct.
229.	Wilmot,	Merrimack,	5.
230.	Wilton,	Hillsboro',	4.
231.	Winchester,	Cheshire,	1.
232.	Windham,	Rockingham,	6.
233.	Windsor,	Hillsboro',	No church.
234.	Wolfeboro',	Carroll,	7.
235.	Woodstock,	Grafton,	No church.

REMARKS.

The Secretary expects that errors and mistakes will be found, the responsibility for which must be divided between himself and at least three other parties. Some of the churches are exceedingly careless in making their reports; in some cases making them from memory, without any reference to the church records. The Statistical Scribes of Conferences must report what they receive from the churches. They have done this with commendable care, yet errors are *liable* to occur in transcribing so many items, which may be overlooked. It frequently happens that after the returns are in and the columns summed up, some church forwards corrected returns, which results in confusion. Some of the returns came so late that we had given up expecting them and sent the copy to the printer before their arrival. In making changes at this time, a door was opened for others errors to creep in. The printer deserves the thanks of the churches for his willingness to make so many changes as he has, after the matter was in type. If, another year, the churches will make accurate returns, promptly, on the first of June, the Secretary will use his best endeavors to present the statistics in a more satisfactory manner. It is due to the *large majority* of churches to say they have made prompt and accurate reports.

One Conference made no return to the Secretary, of the State of Religion within its bounds, and he was obliged to write to the individual churches for reports. It is hoped that this omission will be remedied in the future. The late date at which the narratives from some of the other Conferences were received, will explain the many typographical errors in the Narrative, as that must be ready by the meeting of the Association.

A few additional tables are inserted this year, and the order of making up the reports changed in one or two particulars. Changes in the ministry are noted, so far as they could be ascertained, up to September 1st; the statistics and other reports include the time between June 1, 1874 and May 31, 1875.

The Secretary gratefully acknowledges the services of Rev. Henry A. Hazen, of Billerica, Mass., in the correction of mistakes that have been reported year after year for many years, and he would call the attention of the churches to that valuable compilation of his upon the Churches and Ministers of New-Hampshire; the first part of which appears in the Congregational Quarterly for October, 1875, and which is to be reprinted in a pamphlet by itself, if a sufficient number of copies are ordered before hand.

Corrections of errors in statistics are earnestly requested.

S. L. GEROULD, *Secretary.*

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CONSTITUTION OF THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ARTICLE 1. This society shall be styled the NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ART. 2. The object of this society shall be to assist churches and congregations that are unable to support the gospel ministry, and to send missionaries to destitute towns and places in New-Hampshire, and also to co-operate with and aid the American Home Missionary Society in the work of home missions throughout the United States.

ART. 3. There shall annually be chosen, of the members of the society resident in the State, a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, and nine Trustees, one third of whom to be chosen triennially, at least one third of whom shall be laymen, the seats of one third of whom to be vacated each year and filled by a new election. All elections shall be made by ballot, and the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer shall be trustees, *ex-officiis*.

ART. 4. It shall be the duty of the President, and, in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, and in the absence of the Vice-Presidents, the oldest man of the trustees present, to preside at all meetings of the society and the trustees, five of whom shall constitute a quorum.

ART. 5. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the society and of the trustees; to keep a true record of the transaction of the society and of the trustees; to fill out commissions for missionaries and certificates of life members; to draw orders upon the Treasurer for all moneys appropriated by the trustees, and to make an annual report to the society of the proceedings of the trustees, and of their executive committee.

ART. 6. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the society; to lease and convey by deed any real estate belonging to the society, when directed by the trustees or their executive committee, and to exhibit annually an audited account of the state of the treasury, and also to exhibit his books at other times, when requested by any member of the society or contributor to its funds. He shall give bonds to such an amount as the trustees or their committee may require.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of the trustees to hold annual and semi-annual meetings, and also special meetings when call-

ed by the executive committee; to make appropriations of money; to appoint missionaries—sound, pious, able and discreet men; to adopt such measures as they may judge important to promote the financial and general interests of the society, and to make, through the Secretary, an annual report of their doings to the society. Immediately after the annual meeting of the society they shall appoint an executive committee of their number, consisting of five, including the Secretary. This committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings; to fill its own vacancies from the trustees, or vacancies in the board of officers which may occur between the annual meetings of the society; to appoint missionaries, make appropriations, and to transact all other business which may be necessary during the intervals of the annual and semi-annual meetings of the trustees.

ART. 8. The society shall meet annually, on Thursday, the third day of the meeting of the General Association, at 10 o'clock A. M., or at such time and at such place as the society may have appointed at the preceding annual meeting. The society shall meet annually for business, at some day and hour previous to the time of public exercises, appointed and duly notified by the executive committee.

ART. 9. Any person may become a member of the society by paying two dollars as an annual subscriber, or a life member by paying thirty dollars; and every member, except life members, shall pay two dollars annually, until he or she shall signify, in writing, a desire to withdraw. All ministers, whose churches contribute annually to the funds of the society, shall be members for the time being. No member who shall neglect to pay his annual subscription, or who shall have removed from the State, shall be authorized to vote in the meetings of the society. All life male members shall have the right to vote in the meetings of the society.

ART. 10. Every minister of the gospel, statedly laboring in this State, and in regular standing with the Congregational or Presbyterian Churches, shall be considered as an agent of this society, to invite the attention of his hearers, at least once a year, to its objects, and to receive donations, subscriptions and contributions to its funds, and transmit them to its Treasurer, or its authorized agents.

ART. 11. All questions before the society shall be determined by a majority of the members present, excepting amendments of the constitution, which shall require the concurrance of two thirds of the members present, besides having been proposed a year beforehand for consideration, or recommended by the trustees.

RULES OF THE SOCIETY.

AS REVISED BY THE TRUSTEES, AUGUST 23, 1843.

Every feeble church, soliciting aid of the NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY, should make application to the trustees by a committee (not by a minister) duly authorized. The application should be made as near as possible to the time when the contract for ministerial labors commences; should be certified by two or three neighboring ministers, and should answer the following questions:

1. What is the name of the minister you wish to employ, and when does your contract with him commence?
2. What is the amount of ratable property held by the church, and what held by others, not members of the church, who contribute to the support of the ministry?*
3. What is the income of the ministerial fund, if any, and is the parsonage, if any, included in the sum you raise for your minister's support?
4. What is the amount supposed necessary for the support of your minister?
5. What sum have you raised for the support of your minister? What part has been raised by the church? How have you raised it?
6. What is the least amount of aid needed?
7. Do the members of the church generally favor the cause of temperance?
8. Are you, as a church, or religious society, in debt? If so, for what purpose, and to what amount?
9. Do you receive aid from any other source? If so, to what amount?

The trustees will not be expected to continue aid to any feeble church or religious society that does not promptly discharge all pecuniary liabilities for the support of the ministery. No church or minister can enjoy the patronage of this society that is not essentially sound in the doctrines and ordinances of the gospel, as held and practiced br the Orthodox Congregational and Presbyterian Churches of New England, or does not practically favor the cause of temperance. No appropriation will be made retrospectively to feeble churches, to defray the expenses

*The answer to this question should include bank, railroad, United States, and all other stocks, so far as can be ascertained.

of ministers not in commission, nor for the support of ministers who do not devote their whole time to the work of the ministry, for the benefit of the people to whom they minister. No missionary can receive his order on the Treasurer until he makes a return of service for the full time of labor specified in his commission. Every missionary who shall neglect to make his annual statistical report by the fifth of August, without satisfactory reasons, shall forfeit his appropriation.

Every feeble church must renew its application for aid according to the above rules, so long as aid shall be needed.

It is very desirable that all churches receiving aid should so arrange their ministerial contracts that the year may commence with the year of the Missionary Society, which is the 15th day of August, so that all applications for renewals of grants may be made at that time, as the trustees can then act on all such applications at their annual meeting.

Every renewed application for aid must report every particular above required, and not make any such references as, "the same as last year," &c. The failure to state all required particulars occasions great inconvenience and often expense and delay.

No church shall receive aid that does not pay at least one and one quarter per cent. on the dollar of its ratable property, that is, $12.50 on $1000. The trustees, however, will exercise discretionary power to vary this, where circumstances shall seem to demand it. As the salaries of our missionaries are inadequate to their support, the trustees will co-operate with those churches in increasing their ministers' salaries, which will increase their own subscription for his support to 1½ per cent. on their ratable property.

As the Missionary Society is a party concerned, no church under its patronage shall dismiss its pastor without the knowledge and consent of the trustees or the executive committee.

The trustees, at their annual meeting in Manchester, in 1864, raised the percentage rule from one per cent. to one and one quarter per cent. on the dollar of ratable property. They also added, as a standing rule to the above, not to appropriate aid separately to churches so situated that they might conveniently unite in the support of one minister.

Resolutions passed by the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, Oct. 24, 1873:—

(1.) That the trustees be encouraged to use still greater efforts to bring the increasing wants of this society to the notice of every church, Congregational or Presbyterian, in New-

Hampshire, and to impress upon them the vital importance not only of contributing to the funds of the Society, but of increasing their contributions.

(2.) That we recommend that all money contributed for the cause of Home Missions be paid into the Treasury of the State Society for its special use, that the wants of our own destitutions be met first, and that surplus money be paid to the American Home Missionary Society.

(3.) That the salary of every missionary stationed as pastor of a church, or laboring statedly with it, which complies with the rules of the Society, relative to giving aid, be at least equal to $800, and that the trustees be instructed to appropriate such a sum of money as, in their judgment, is absolutely necessary to secure such a salary in each case. Nothing in this resolution proposes to diminish the salary of those having more than $800, when, in the opinion of the trustees, that larger salary should be continued. This resolution takes effect from Jan. 1, 1874.

(4.) That the policy of this Society be to secure a permanent pastoral relation, and that all stated supplies be encouraged and urged to enter the pastoral office at once.

(5.) That two contiguous churches be placed under the charge of one man in all practicable cases, and that all aid be withheld from any church which refuses to enter into such an arrangement.

(6.) That nothing in these resolutions be construed as advising the diminution of the Society's itineracy work, and that the compensation paid those laboring only part of the year be as heretofore.

(7.) That it shall hereafter be the settled policy of the Society to encourage and aid all its beneficiary churches to sustain public worship on the Sabbath wishout any intermission, and to employ to this end the best available agency, whether clerical or lay.

At the annual meeting in Exeter, in 1874, the following resolution was adapted, viz.:

Resolved, That the trustees be authorized to modify the application of rule third, passed October 24, 1873, when, in their judgment, the good of the Society requires—provided always that such modification shall be confined to exceptional cases.

RULES FOR MISSIONARY RETURNS.

Missionaries to transmit their statistical returns to the Secretary annually, by the fifth of August. Those who report quarterly shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasurer. Semi-annual reports shall have semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an annual report on or before the fifth of August, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the Society, unless sufficient excuse can be rendered.

In the annual report, definite answers to the following questions are required, namely:

1. What is the number of ratable polls; also, families in your society?
2. What is the amount of your society's valuation in the town assessor's books?
3. What proportion of it belongs to church members?
4. What aid from persons in your congregation not connected with your society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What your stipulated salary?
7. How raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it promptly paid?
9. What the average number of your congregation?
10. What the population of your town?
11. What the number of hopeful conversions in your congregation?
12. What the number of your church members—male and female?
13. What additions during the year ending Aug. 15—by profession? by letter?
14. What the number of baptisms—infant and adult?
15. What the number of removals during the year—by death, dismission, or exclusion?
16. What the number in your Sabbath School?
17. What progress made in the temperance cause?
18. What the amount of contribution to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society?
19. What the amount to all other religious charities?
20. What special encouragement or discouragement in your labors?

[*In replying to these inquiries you need refer only to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.*]

NOTICES.

All communications intended for the trustees, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the society, may be addressed to Rev. E. H. Greeley, Concord, N. H.

☞*All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the society*, may be made to Hon. Lyman D. Stevens, Concord, N. H.

The Home Missionary, published monthly by the American Home Mission Society, Bible House, Astor Place, New York, is sent gratuitously to *life members*, *missionaries*, and auxiliary associations of *either society;* to all pastors whose congregation contributes any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors, and to each donor of $10 annually, who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made to the Treasurer, who is agent for the distribution of *The Home Missionary* for New-Hampshire.

☞*All money contributed to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, which is not imperatively needed for the work in the State, is sent to the treasury of the American Home Missionary.*

All applications for aid, and returns of missionaries, to be made to the Secretary.

Missionaries are reminded that reports are expected quarterly, and an annual report, made out up to Aug. 1, as soon as may be after that date. *All* the questions of the blanks are to be *fully* answered. Remittances are not made until full reports are received.

Applications for aid should contain full and careful answers to all the questions proposed, and should be renewed at the expiration of the time for which the missionary is commissioned, if his further services are desired. All applications should be promptly made. The Trustees will not feel bound to make appropriations for services rendered before the application is made.

The payment of $80 into its treasury entitles the person named by the donor to become a life member of the New-Hamp-

shire Missionary Society, or, if preferred, of the American Home Missionary Society, and, *in either case*, to receive the *Home Missionary*.

Orders on the Treasury to be drawn by the Secretary.

The semi-annual meeting of the Trustees is to be at Concord, the Tuesday before the first Wednesday in June.

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I give to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society the sum of dollars, for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Important legacies have been lost to the Society through inattention to its legal name.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The seventy-fourth Annual Meeting of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society was held at the Congregational Church in Claremont, Sept. 9, 1875, at 9 o'clock A. M., the President, Rev. Asa D. Smith, D.D., in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. C. E. Milliken.

The Annual Report of the Trustees was read by the Secretary, and was accepted.

The Annual Report of the Treasurer was, in his absence, read by the Secretary, and was accepted.

On the recommendation of the Trustees, Articles three and four, of the Constitution, were, by vote, amended so as to make the word "Vice-President" read "Vice-Presidents."

On motion, it was voted that three thousand copies of the annual report be printed, in connection with the report on the state of religion, for circulation at the next annual meeting.

Voted: That the next annual meeting be held in connection with the meeting of the General Association, at Littleton, on Wednesday evening, at 7 o'clock.

Addresses were made by the President and by Rev. G. R. W. Scott, of Boston, Rev. S. S. N. Greeley, D.D., of Gilmanton, and Rev. W. J. Tucker, of New York.

The following officers, nominated by a committee appointed by the chair, consisting of Rev. C. Richardson, Rev. Jesse Page, and Rev. C. E. Milliken, were elected for the ensuing year, viz.:

Rev. ASA D. SMITH, D.D., LL.D., Hanover, *President.*

Hon. J. E. SARGENT, Concord; Dea. J. G. BLUNT, Nashua, and JOHN BRACEWELL, Esq., Dover, *Vice-Presidents.*

Rev. E. H. GREELEY, Concord, *Secretary.*

Hon. LYMAN D. STEVENS, Concord, *Treasurer.*

Hon. JOHN KIMBALL, and GEO. E. JENKS, Esq., Concord, *Auditors.*

Hon. DEXTER RICHARDS, Newport; Rev. W. R. JEWETT, Concord, and Rev. S. L. BLAKE, Concord, *Trustees* for three years.

Rev. FREDERICK ALVORD, Nashua, *Trustee* for one year, in place of Rev. W. J. Tucker, resigned.

Adjourned.

TRUSTEES.

The Trustees of the Society are the following, viz.: The President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, *ex-officiis*.

Elected in 1875.

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Rev. F. D. AYER, Concord.
Rev. QUINCY BLAKELY, Campton.
Dea. ALMON HARRIS, Fisherville.

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Rev. FREDERICK ALVORD, Nashua.
Rev. GEO. B. SPALDING, Dover.
Hon. JOHN W. NOYES, Chester.

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE N. H. MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

To the question of the waiting churches at this returning anniversary, "What of the night?" we have still to give back the old reply, "The morning cometh and also the night." The dawn still struggles with the darkness, and will for we know not how long, nevertheless the day is breaking. Our work has gone forward another year amid discouragements, as usual, yet not without special tokens of the Divine favor and blessing. In the spiritual, as in the natural, husbandry New Hampshire presents a rocky, reluctant soil, demanding severe, and, to the indolent and luxurious at least, forbidding toil, yielding its fruits to none other; but its breezes, if sometimes keen, are yet healthful, its fountains are pure, the elements of the truest, most vigorous life are present, it produces, in response to fit culture, a quality and amount of Christian manhood which could be ill spared from the spiritual forces of the time. No harvests are richer in the seed-corn with which other and distant fields are to be planted.

Two of those formerly, and for a long time, Trustees of this society, to whom it is very largely indebted for the wisdom of its counsels and the efficiency of its action, men both whose praise is, and justly, in all the churches, Rev. Alvan Tobey, D.D., and Rev. John K. Young, D.D., have gone during the past year to their reward.

One of our misionaries has fallen—the Rev. J. W. Starr—for one brief year on the outpost at West Stewartstown, to which he went directly from the Seminary at New Haven, a noble young man, one of rare promise, in the front rank of his comrades as it respects scholarly culture and general ability, a genuine missionary after the spirit and type of the Man of Nazareth, faithful to the extent of taxing himself beyond his strength, a wise seed-sower, from whose toil, brief though it was, we look for a harvest yet to be reaped.

The other special laborers in our field are permitted to remain, with opportunity to renew their toil, to gather and rejoice over the results of faithful labor, and to repair, as far as such things may be, the failures of the past.

GENERAL SURVEY.

Our missionaries, forty-seven in number, have labored during the year under review, in forty-six different fields, and have performed, in the aggregate, thirty-four years of ministerial service. The number of fields occupied during the entire year is twenty-three. The increase over last year is, in the number of laborers employed, three; in the number of fields occupied, three; and in years of labor performed, six. The gain in permanency has been note-worthy. Eight fields that received aid the previous year, have not applied for it in the year under review, while eleven new fields, six of them previously self-supporting, have been added to our list of beneficiaries. Two missionary churches, Lee and Wakefield, have assumed self-support.

A somewhat careful estimate of the population, not of the towns where they have labored, but of the communities substantially dependent on our missionaries for any stated preaching of the Gospel, makes it at least twenty-two thousand. They have preached to congregations numbering in the aggregate fully fifty-five hundred. In the Sabbath Schools connected with these congregations are thirty-five hundred teachers and pupils. In ten of the fields occupied there have been religious awakenings, resulting in a percentage of conversions relative to the number in the congregation which, if equaled in larger churches would entitled them to be called revivals. In several other fields more than usual religious interest has been manifested. From this point of view the general aspect of the field is unusually hopeful.

The fact that, of the people surrounding these missionary churches, only one fourth are even attendants upon public worship, is very significant in several respects, significant especially as showing the possibilities, at least, of the growth and enlargement of these churches. If they remain small and weak it will not be for want of material, but only that, for some reason, the leaven does not leaven the whole lump; only that, for some reason, they are not accomplishing what they are divinely appointed to accomplished. The query thus suggested will be well worth pondering.

THE FIELD ENLARGING.

The field has grown materially upon our hands the last year. It is still growing. Other churches are at the door waiting for aid. Other fields are showing white to the harvest. Several, indeed, of the churches now aided will, it is confidently expected, be able to resume self-support within another year. But there is every prospect that their place will be more than filled by new applicants. And this increase arises not simply from the fact that, under the depleting process of emigration, churches are dropping below the point of self-support, but from a deeper interest in religious things pervading churches and communities throughout the State, and a consequent stronger desire for the stated preaching and ordinances of the Gospel, and also from the fact that there are still vacant places where churches should be planted, land yet to be possessed. This enlargement, with its call to larger efforts and sacrifices, is clearly providential, the moving forward of the pillar of cloud and fire. We have nothing to do but to follow. What God wills is to be done.

THE TREASURY.

All present appearances indicate that, for a proper, vigorous prosecution of our work, at least fifteen hundred dollars more than has been expended in the past year will be required for the coming year. From this point of view the condition of our treasury assumes unusual interest. The balance in the treasury at the close of last year, after deducting $1,000 sent to the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society, was $5,577.43. There have been received into it during the year, in donations, $7,057.63; in legacies, $1,965, and from other sources, $322.51; making a total of $9,345.14. Of this sum, $2,580.60 was from the Female Cent Institution; $132.62 less than last year. By direction of the donors, $664.83 have been paid into the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society, leaving for the work in the State, $8,680.31. There appear also to have been sent directly from the State to the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society, in donations, $847.04, and in legacies, $1,153; making a total of $2,000.04. The whole amount raised for home missionary purposes in the State, is $11,345.18; $5,-

981.52 less than last year. This decrease, however, is wholly in legacies. The income from other sources is $35.72 more than last year. The amount of disbursements in the State is $10,-214.95. It will be seen that the amount of disbursements is $1,534.79 in excess of receipts for the work in the State.

NO FALLING OFF OF INTEREST IN HOME MISSIONS.

This exhibit is considerably more favorable then was at one time anticipated. The contributions for the last six weeks of the year were better than our fears. Fairly interpreted, it shows a marked increase of interest in the cause of Home Missions. In all other directions there has been a large falling off in benevolent contributions. But for a deeper interest in our work, at least in some directions, our receipts must have very considerably diminished. Many of our best givers *cannot* do as much as formerly. The same causes that have driven several churches, which in ordinary times would have been self-sustaining, to the appeal for aid, and compelled others to ask larger aid then would in ordinary times be required, have also disabled many who would gladly contribute to their relief. That the contributions in such a year have been kept fully up to their former standard, is really equivalent to a large increase.

A GRAVE QUESTION.

Still these figures, taken in connection with the fact that an increased expenditure is likely to be called for in the coming year, force upon us the question—one not to be contemplated without some anxiety, Are we to be compelled to a hesitating, inefficient prosecution of our work, such a prosecution of it as would, in many cases, be little better than to give it over entirely? Growing in extent, in interest, in importance, as it clearly is, must the work be crippled for want of means to carry it on in the only way likely to ensure success? This question the churches must answer, for they only can answer it. We are simply their agents and can only wait their will. We can pay out no money that they do not first put into our hands for that purpose. The interests involved in this question are wider than many would at first suppose. They effect scarcely less vitally the larger than the smaller churches. The smaller churches of the State, to an ex-

tent of which few seem to be fully aware, are the feeders of the larger. If any one is skeptical on this point, we commend to him a careful examination of the rolls of any one of our larger churches. No more effectual cure for the impatience which our larger churches sometimes feel at the demands of this work would be needed than a consideration of the question what their own condition would be if all who have come to them from the churches among the hills were withdrawn from their number. Many of our churches are weak simply because they have been robbed of their best that other churches might be strong. The interests of the churches of the State are identical. They must stand or fall together. If the smaller churches are allowed to die, decay will seize upon the larger. Not more surely will the streams in the valley fail when the springs that run among the hills are dried up. For the sake of the common cause of all the churches we ask, with no little solicitude, must we draw back from a vigorous prosecution of our work? Can our stronger churches even, afford to risk the result? To some extent, this result has already been reached. We have hesitated, in the past year, to enter fields of promise lest we should go beyond our ability to fulfil our engagements. We pause to hear what the churches will say.

THE ABILITY OF THE CHURCHES FOR THE WORK.

Are the demands of the work greater than can be met without larger sacrifices than the churches can properly be called on to make for such an object? The times are hard. In the business world the skies are still threatening. In the months before us many will have to struggle hard even to keep the wolf from the door. A rigid economy must, on all hands, be practiced. All this is doubtless true. But if we are to seek *first* the Kingdom of God, where should this economy begin? Are not more than mere luxuries to be parted with before we refuse the demands of the cause to which Christ gave all? But are these demands, after all, really so severe as to threaten to make martyrs of us? Is our weakness really such that we *cannot* lift this burden of helping the weaker churches still to live? Thousands of dollars looked at in the aggregate seem large, especially when contrasted with our slender individual resources, and so do the rivers look large, albeit they are made up of single drops of rain.

Let us look not so much at the aggregate thousands, but at the part of the burden which we individually have to bear. How much is needed of each of us, personally, to secure the vigorous prosecution of this work? An average of sixty cents each from the members of our churches, in addition to the average amount from legacies, will do it. An average of twenty-five cents more than is now given will do it. A sum from each of our church members one tenth as large as the average amount paid by the people of the State for rum and tobacco will do it. The earnings of a single day's work for each of our church members would much more than do it. The interest on the average cost of a single church edifice in one of our large cities would more than do it. Is this a burden too heavy to be borne for such an object as that at which we are aiming? How many of the members of our churches would stop long to weigh the question of paying out sixty cents for some personal convenience or even luxury?

WOULD GREATER ECONOMY BE GOOD ECONOMY?

But cannot this work be carried on at less expense? To this the true reply is, that depends upon what is meant by "carrying it on." In a very important aspect our work is a business enterprise, to be conducted on the same principles with the management of a factory or a farm. The right men are to be put into the right place, paid so that they at least *can* work, and then to be expected to work, held responsible for proper results. Here, before proceeding to speak of matters which require to be treated with great delicacy and great kindness, let it, in simple justice, be said that we have in our missionaries a noble band of Christian men, far better than we have a right to expect under the circumstances, men who will compare favorably with the other ministry of the State, among them, men who would adorn any pulpit in the State. But a large part of these, and, among them, those whom it would cripple our work to spare, cannot be kept in the State on a stipend less than they are receiving. And who will say that they ought to remain for less than what is only a bare living? Is all the real sacrifice that is made in this work to be required of them? What obligations are they under that any Christian of the State is not also under to fully the same extent? Nor can the places that fall vacant be filled with the right men on any lower terms. We want to emphasize the word

"right" in this connection, for there is no greater mistake than to suppose, as sometimes seems to be done, that *any* minister will do for a missionary church. Many a minister succeeds well in a strong self-supporting church, who would not succeed at all in a large part of our missionary churches. Many a church is weak simply because its possibilities have never been developed. For our missionary fields especially, we need men of tact, of energy, of resources, of knowledge of men, of broad common sense, men who, in the true Pauline sense, can and will become all things to all men, who are not afraid of work, who have a passion for souls, men of faith, and courage, and resolution, who, with God on their side, and the promises to rest upon, reckon nothing undertaken for God impossible. In these fields, if anywhere, we want revival men in the best sense of that expression.

We cannot, of course, expect fully to realize our ideal here, more than elsewhere. We nowhere in this world fully realize our ideals. But if we cannot make a reasonable approximation towards it, it will become a serious question whether it is worth while to do anything. What these churches need is not simply a ministry, but an *effective* ministry, one that shall lead them on to active, aggressive labor, one that shall develop the possibilities of the field, one that with the Divine blessing shall bring the churches out of weakness into strength. We are very sure that, as often happens in other enterprises, in this especially, a considerable present outlay will, in many cases at least, prove in the end, the truest economy. It has not yet ceased to be true, that "there is that giveth and yet increaseth, and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty."

There need be no fear that any one will grow rich out of the charities given to this cause. We can, with a clear conscience, assure the churches that, so far as ordinary human imperfection will permit, the utmost economy, consistent with a vigorous prosecution of the work, is, and will be, practiced in the expenditure of the funds of the society. And we can assure them, with no fear of successful contradiction, that nowhere, in the management of any charitable funds, is a more rigid scrutiny exercised to see that every dollar goes in the wisest and most effective way, to secure the end for which it was given.

The actual average cost of each of its missionaries to the

society is, in fact, almost exactly five sixths of the average cost of a missionary, taking into view the whole field of the national society. This, too, it will be observed, is the result of the first year of the full carrying out, and that under most unfavorable circumstances, of the policy inaugurated by the resolutions of October 4, 1873. With the return of ordinary business prosperity, this cost will, probably, be materially diminished.

THE PROPER CHANNEL FOR THE HOME MISSIONARY OFFERINGS OF THE STATE.

A considerable proportion of the donations of our churches, and by far the larger proportion of the legacies, intended for home missionary purposes, are sent directly to the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society. In the coming year, legacies to the amount of $10,000 or $12,000 will be paid from the State into the treasury at New York—to say nothing of the McQuesten legacy—and probably not $1000 into ours. Is this wise? Ours is one of the oldest missionary societies in the country, older by nearly a quarter of a century than the national society, and long after that society shall have done its noble and most important work and shall have ceased to be, having no longer any place, the benificent ministries of the New Hampshire Missionary Society will still be called for. Its work will not be done until the poor shall be with us no longer. It was the child of our churches in the days of struggle and weakness. It is fragrant with the prayers and toils and sacrifices, the aspirations and hopes and plans of the fathers. If any thing is to be dearly and sacredly cherished by our churches as one's household, if in respect of any thing an *esprit du corps* is properly to be indulged by them, it is, surely, this society. Why not, then, make its treasury the channel of *all* their home missionary benefactions?

Our churches ought, indeed, to raise, and will raise, a large amount more for this purpose than should be expended in the State. They ought to bear, and will bear, as they have done in times past, an effective part in the work upon the frontier of our growing country—the grandest and most important missionary work of the age—it would hardly be too much to say, of any age, but they need not turn away from their own State society for this end. Every dollar that goes into our treasury, be-

yond the imperative necessities of the work in the State, goes thence into the treasury of the national society. Not a dollar more gets into that treasury in the end, for the money that is sent directly to it from our State, nor, as we believe, does so much get into it. The division tends to weaken the fraternal bond between the churches of the State, and to break down the effective *esprit du corps* of the body. Not intentionally, but yet practically, it says to the weak, bereft, struggling churches, "we have no care for you." It shuts out those who do contribute to the treasury of the State society from the opportunity to have a part also in the work upon the frontier. If a part send their benefactions directly to the national society, *all* that others give must be expended at home. Every dollar contributed to this grand cause may, and should, have this double ministry of blessing; it may, and should, express the sympathy of the donor for the weaker churches at home and his interest, also, in the western work, and bear with it his prayers for both. By putting all the contributions for comprehensive home missionary work, in the first instance, into a common treasury, this, so desirable, end will be reached. We commend this matter to the serious attention of pastors and churches.

INFORMATION WANTED.

We are confident that, upon all these matters, what the churches need is simply to be informed as to the real facts in the case. The difficulty is to find means to spread this information among them. It is greatly to be regretted that we have no means of communicating with them through the public press. There is, on this account, the more need that pastors should take some special pains to communicate facts of interest and importance to their people. The secretary, whose special business, so far as the contributing churches are concerned, is simply to give information, not to be a collecting, much less begging, agent, will respond to any calls to this end, so far as his time will permit. What is wanted is the hearty free-will offerings for the work, of well-informed, patriotic Christians. The judgment which the churches, fully informed, shall pronounce upon it, will be final. The work is theirs.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.	Date of Commission.	Months of Commission.	Appropriation.	Months of Labor Performed.	Hopeful Conversions.	Added.		Removed.			Resident Members.	Male Residents.	Non-Residents.	Average Congregation.	No. in Sabbath School.	Contributions.	
							By Profession.	By Letter.	By Dismission.	By Death.	By Exclusion.						Home Missions.	Other Objects.
1. Alstead and Langdon,	Geo. F. Chapin,	Apr. 1, 1875	12	200.00	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	28	5	4	110	60	$20.00	$25.42
						0	5	1	1	1	0	22	6	8	65	40	0.00	0.00
2. Alstead, East,	G. B. Richardson,	Apr. 1, 1875	12	200.00	12	1		2	2	1		80	29		95	80		
3. Alton,	D. L. Gear, J. L. Hill and L. S. Coan,	Jan. 17, 1875	12	300.00	11	4	0	4	0	0	0	41	12		90	150	0.00	0.00
4. Andover,	Howard Moody,	Jan. 1, 1875	12	300.00	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	5	6	70		24.25	33.72
5. Auburn,	C. E. Houghton,	May 20, 1875		200.00	2½	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	13		85	60	0.00	0.00
6. Barnstead,	W. O. Carr,	Oct. 1, 1874	12	250.00	10	0	0					24	10	8	95	90		25.00
7. Berlin,	A. J. Benedict,	June 1, 1875	12	400.00	2										90	107		
8. Brentwood.	W. C. Jackson,	Apr. 1, 1875	12	150.00	12	3	2		0	3	0	54	9		55	45	0.00	7.00
9. Centre Harbor,	J. S. Gay,	Oct. 11, 1874	12	300.00	9⅓	1	0	2				61	23		85	80	37.60	15.00
10. Charlestown,	Geo. W. Kinne,	Apr. 12, 1875	12	200.00	12	4	7	1				40	10		66	65	13.61	
11. Dalton,	A. E. Hall,	Apr. 1, 1875	12	200.00	12	4	2	2	0	0	0	28	7		110	125	8.00	8.00
12. Danbury,	Geo. Smith,	Apr. 1, 1875	12	200.00	12	0	0	0	2	3	0	42	17	16	100	80	29.51	7.25
13. Enfield.	F. Parker,	Mar. 15, 1875	4		4													
14. Goff's Falls,	Homer W. Carter,	May 1, 1875	4	68.00	3										50	30		
15. Gorham,	G. F. Tewksbury,	Sept. 1, 1874	12	300.00	12	0	0	0	3	0	0	31	5		70	50	8.00	50.00
16. Goshen,	H. W. R. Thurston,	May 5, 1875	12	250.00	3	6	5	4	1	1	0	33	12		125	95	4.60	15.00
17. Groton.	N. T. Dyer,	July 1, 1875	3	54.00	1	0	0	0	0	0		12	5	8	75	53	0.00	25.00
18. Hanover Centre,	D. McClenning,	May 10, 1874	12	150.00	10	0	2	1		0	0	82		29		90	6.00	36.20
19. Harrisville,	Amos Holbrook,	Jan. 1, 1875	12	150.00	12	40	34	2	1	0	0	62	17	14	127		36.75	69.30
20. Hebron,	J. B. Cook,	June 14, 1875	12	150.00	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	2	4	75	67	5.00	9.20
21. Kensington,	E. D. Eldridge and F. D. Chandler,	Apr. 25, 1875	12	300.00	12	0	1	0	1			37		2	100	75	0.00	7.50
22. Kingston,	J. Chapman,	May 1, 1875	12	100.00	12	1	2	1	1	1	0	24	4	9	100	100	40.00	112.50
23. Lempster,	J. LeBosquet,	May 1, 1875	12	200.00	12	2	2	3	1	2	0	35		15	50	40	7.00	30.00
24. Loudon,	D. S. Hibbard,	May 9, 1875	12	200.00	3	0	0	0	0	4	0	51	16		63	50	8.00	0.00
25. Mason,	R. P. Wells,	Feb. 1, 1875	12	200.00	12	3	5	2	2	3	0	60	21	26	73	70	14.50	113.35
26. Milton Mills,	Geo. Michael,	July 1, 1875	12	200.00	1										80			

27. Munroe,	J. L. Litch,	June	1, 1875	12	100.00	12		16	6				22	9		85	42	0.00	0.00
28. Nelson,	Mark Gould,	Jan.	1, 1875	12	200.00	12	2	0	1	7	1	0	55	16	24	75	90	20.00	40.50
29. Newcastle,	E. G. Stone,	Sept.	1, 1874	12	200.00	11		1	1	0	1	0	30	9	10	120	125	6.00	34.00
30. Newington,	F. Davis,	Nov.	1, 1874	12	200.00	12	10		2				21	5		100	65	18.50	35.65
31. Roxbury,	G. W. Nims,	June	1, 1875			2	3	3	4	1	0	0	16	2		60	55		14.06
32. Salem,	S. Bowker,	Jan.	1, 1875	12	150.00	12	3	2	0	7	0	0	31	9		125	85	4.00	15.00
33. Sandwich and Sandwich North,	C. L. Tappan,	Jan.	1, 1875	12	300.00	12	3	6	4	0	2	0	35	7		75	50	0.00	0.00
34. Stewartstown, West,	J. W. Starr,	July	1, 1874	12	375.00	11	3		4	0	2	0				90	85	7.50	9.50
35. Seabrook, South,	W. A. Rand,	Aug.	1, 1874	12	250.00	12	20	0	0	1	0	0	23	5	3	100	100	0.00	0.00
36. Stoddard and Washington,	H. H. Colburn,	Apr.	15, 1875	12	300.00	12	6	0	0	1	3	0	28	4	14	65	45	0.00	0.00
							7	3	1	0	3	0	23	5	3	65	35	9.25	5.00
37. Surry,	E. F. Abbott,	Jan.	1, 1875	3	52.00	3													
38. Tamworth,	J. G. Wilson,	Oct.	1, 1874	12	200.00	10	1	1	0	2	2	0	66	20	14	90	135	8.50	41.00
39. Wakefield,	S. Clark,	May	1, 1874																
40. Weare, South,	A. B. Palmer,	Nov.	1, 1374	6	195.00	9	3									100	90		
41. Wentworth,	D. S. Hibbard and Geo. J. Pierce,	May	1, 1875	12	300.00	11		0	0	0	2	0	37	6	13	135	85	29.25	43.00
42. Wilmot,	C. B. Tracy,	Jan.	1, 1875	12	150.00	12	0	0	0	0	1	0	47	18		75	68	29.72	20.30
43. Wolfeboro',	C. R. Ramsdell,	May	1, 1875	3	62.00	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	26	7		75			

DETAILS AND RESULTS OF MISSIONARY LABOR.

Alstead.—Real progress appears to have been made in this important field. The attendance upon public worship is increasing; "the assemblies, almost without exception, are still and solemn;" considerable additions have been made to the church, and there are "marked cases of awakened interest in the service of Christ." There is the promise here of a rich harvest.

Alstead, East.—Things here are moving on quietly and hopefully. The attendance upon public worship has increased, and is larger than for several previous years. The pastor divides his services between this and the church at Alstead Centre; and while the field is in some respects a difficult one, there is much in both parts of it which is encouraging.

Alton.—A parsonage, very commodious and convenient, has been completed and nearly paid for. The very generous donation of furnaces and an elegant pipe organ, by a native of the town who retains an interest in his old paternal home worthy of imitation, has supplied all that was needed to make the house of worship comfortable and inviting. The congregation and Sabbath School are increasing in numbers and interest. Converting grace has been given, and considerable additions have been made, and are to be made, to the church. Two deacons have been chosen—"quite an event for a church which recently did not number a single resident male member." The out-districts of the town are reached by systematic and energetic effort. Adverse events in the past seem to have turned out rather for good, and there is manifested a general enthusiasm and hopefulness which augers well for the future.

Andover.—There is little change to report in the condition of this church. There is the usual attendance upon public worship and the Sabbath School, and the usual interest, but the harvest delays.

Auburn.—This church, which for years has struggled hard to maintain self-support, calls now upon sister churches, many of which have been enriched by contributions of her sons and daughters, for aid. Rev. C. E. Houghton, a licentiate of the Cheshire Association, commenced his services here in May, and finds an important and hopeful field.

Barnstead.—This church, long self-supporting, the seed-bed where many have been nourished to make other churches strong, has at length been reduced to the necessity of appealing for missionary aid. The town, like too many others, is made up of small villages, soemwhat widely separated, and distinct in their interests. If it were possible for it to embrace the entire town, a large church could easily be built up, notwithstanding the emigration which is so rapidly reducing the population; but as things are, the problem of sustaining religious institutions is not easy to solve. Still, some way clearly ought to be devised, and with God's blessing will be devised to do this. The whole State must be evangelized.

Berlin.—There is a population here of some six hundred souls, composed largely of young men in the employ of the Berlin Lumber Company. The very strong and general interest awakened to secure the permanent services of Mr. Benedict, who had spent two vacations here, and the importance of bringing such a class, as far as possible, under religious influence, led us to encourage the formation of a religious society, though, as yet, there is no church, and though the expenditure of money must be more in the outset than we could well afford. Mr. Benedict commenced his permanent labors in May under very favorable auspices. The congregation and Sabbath School are larger than in most of our missionary fields, and the interest in them is deepening. There are fields, too, of promise in the neighborhood which our missionary is attempting, as time and strength will permit, to cultivate. The enterprise is an important, and seems a hopeful, one.

Brentwood.—In few places does the call of the prophet for the Divine breath upon the slain that they may live, seem more in place than here. Much faith and patience are required for the work on such a field, and yet it is from such fields that the richest harvests are sometimes gathered.

Centre Harbor.—The completion of a parsonage, and its occupancy by a pastor, a symptom of vigorous, hopeful life, and the prelude, it is to be hoped, of a more permanent ministry, are the chief events of interest here. The interest in public worship, and, it is hoped, in religious truth, appears to be extending and deepening.

Charlestown.—There has been a quiet and steady, yet real and manifest, progress during the year. Obstacles are gradually giving way, and a better future seems opening. No general revival has been enjoyed, but occasional conversions have taken place, and additions have been made to the church at every communion during the year. Surrounding districts have been visited, and meetings held in them with good results. A deeper spiritual life seems to be developing in the church, and the way to be preparing for larger blessings.

Dalton.—The past year has been one of marked external prosperity. A congregation and Sabbath School, large for the place, have been, it is hoped permanently, gathered. The house of worship has been repaired and made very neat and attractive. The parsonage, also, has been repaired. In the early winter there were strong indications of a deep and general religious awakening, but the extreme severity of the season which followed, shut the people up in their homes, and the special interest seemed largely to pass away. Still the assemblies remain attentive and serious, and religion is a subject of thought and conversation to a far greater extent than formerly.

Danbury.—Nothing especially noteworthy has occurred here during the year. Religious ordinances have been steadily sustained, with, at least, no diminution of interest. There were at one time appearances of special interest, but without such manifest results as were hoped for. Things, on the whole, look encouraging.

Enfield.—The completion and dedication of a beautiful, central and convenient house of worship is the marked event of the year. This, under the ministrations of the pastor of their choice, whom the church and people have been so fortunate as to secure, is now, from Sabbath to Sabbath, well filled with an attentive audience. All appearances seem now to justify the hope that

this church is started on a career in which it will soon be able to take its place among the strong, self-supporting churches of the State.

Goff's Falls.—No church has as yet been organized here, but there is a vigorous society, and an earnest desire and purpose are manifested to support stated preaching. The attendance upon public worship is good for the population. It is supplied at present by a student from Andover.

Gorham.—The pastor writes that "the church and society have held their own" under the general depression of business which affects this place with peculiar force, the more urgent demands calling out new energy and determination on their part. In the community at large the same religious indifference is still manifested which has characterized it from the beginning. The post is a somewhat difficult one, but, intrinsically, and from its position, important to be held.

Goshen.—The Baptists having supplied this place for two years, in pursuance of a "plan of union," which still continues with unbroken harmony, we are again called upon to aid in the support of a Congregational pastor. Mr. H. W. L. Thurston, a licentiate of the Sullivan Association, commenced his labors here in May, and is pursuing them with much acceptance and good prospects of success.

Groton.—The church here was supplied until May in connection with Hebron on alternate Sabbaths. It is now, for a few weeks, supplied by a student from Andover Seminary. The population is small and scattered, and its prospects not very hopeful, but considerable desire is manifested to secure, if possible, the stated preaching of the Gospel.

Hanover Centre.—The Rev. D. McClenning, whose labors here have been so much blessed, resigned his pastorate in May last, on account of ill health, but consented to remain and do what he could until a successor could be secured. He writes: "The past year has been one of external prosperity, the general morals of the people have improved, the young converts have thus far almost invariably held out well, harmony prevails, and I have never seen a better state of feeling than now." A good man is wanted for this inviting field.

Harrisville.—The suspension of the manufacturing industry, upon which the prosperity of this place is dependent, scattering a large part of the people, and crippling the resources of those who remain, has constrained this church again to call for aid to tide it over the emergency. In spiritual things, it has for two years been highly prospered. Few churches in the State have received so large a percentage of increase to their membership. It is hoped that the business depression will be only temporary, and that the need of external aid will not be long continued.

Hebron.—This little church, in the midst of a small and fast diminishing population, has made a very earnest effort to sustain religious ordinances. The various religious denominations unite, a vigorous Sabbath School is sustained, and a considerable congregation is gathered for public worship. The prospect for the remote future is not hopeful, but for the present the enterprise seems worth sustaining.

Kensington.—The Rev. E. D. Eldridge resigned the pastorate of this church in January last, on account of declining health. In April the Rev. F. D. Chandler succeeded him, and has entered upon his work under favorable auspices. A state of general activity, harmony and hopefulness prevails. A fund, amounting to somewhat more than $5000, which will become available within a year, will, it is expected, enable this church to assume self-support.

Kingston.—The pastor writes: "I have seen little change for better or worse during the past year." This year completes the one hundred and fiftieth since the formation of the church, and it is proposed to commemorate the event by a reunion on the 28th of September. May it be signalized by the descent of new life, and the starting of this important church upon an era of greater temporal and spiritual prosperity.

Lempster.—Things here look more hopeful than a year since. Some special religious interest has been manifested, and a better feeling prevails in the community, generally, towards the church and the preaching of the Gospel. If less copious in its streams than formerly, still this fountain, which has watered many and distant fields, is not yet dry, nor has the time come when it can be spared.

Langdon.—"Constant attendance, cheerful support and thoughtful attention are the hopeful indications." This church is supplied in connection with Alstead, having preaching half the day on the Sabbaths during the pleasant part of the year.

Loudon.—This is another of the churches which, during the past year, have been constrained to call upon the Missionary Society for aid. The Rev. D. S. Hibbard commenced to labor here in May last, and finds a cordial welcome. There is still a large field here which ought to be cultivated, and which, we are persuaded, will amply repay wise and faithful culture.

Mason.—This is a field which is likely to grow, rather than diminish, in importance. The "increase" given from above, now long delayed, but such as the earlier history of this church furnishes signal examples of, making the good seed sown fruitful, would speedily make this church not only self-supporting, but one of the strong spiritual forces of the State. The work goes on against serious obstacles, yet not without much to encourage.

Milton Mills.—After being destitute of stated preaching for nearly a year and a half, this church has made a vigorous and successful effort to start anew. The services of the Rev. George Michael have been secured, and he enters upon his work with the hope and prospect that the church will, at no distant day, become self-supporting.

Munroe.—Sixteen have been added to this church by profession since its organization a year since, nearly one sixth of the entire congregation. The pastor writes: "The Lord has been with us during the past year in a marked manner. His word is making impressions on many hearts, impressions exhibited in deep attention, tearful eyes, and accessibility in conversation." This field has proved fruitful far beyond the expectation of the most hopeful.

Nelson.—The pastor reports "a good degree of interest during the year." As in the case of several other churches, a marked religious interest was developed in connection with the Week of Prayer, giving promise of a general revival, which the subsequent extreme severity of the winter seemed to check, for the time at least. Several hopeful conversions, however, occurred, and the tone of piety in the church was elevated. The attend-

ance on public worship is fully sustained, and the Sunday School work is very prosperous. There are indications of reviving prosperity in the business of the town, making the prospects of the church more hopeful.

Newington.—There was considerable special interest here in the autumn, resulting in a considerable number of conversions and in quickening the religious interest of the church and community generally. In other respects there are "no marked changes to report. Things are moving on quietly and pleasantly."

Newcastle.—Our missionary here is very cordially sustained by the people. The Sabbath School is unusually large and interesting. The congregation also is large and attentive. The general depression in business affects this place more than most others, but the self-sacrificing earnestness of the people for the stated preaching of the Gospel affords good promise for the future.

Roxbury.—This year, as for several years past, this church is supplied for some three months by a student. The population of the town is small and scattered, but the people generally avail themselves of their limited privileges with an eager interest and constancy of attendance which, if imitated in larger places, would speedily crowd our too often neglected churches.

Salem.—The church here has completed, within the year, a thorough remodeling and repair of its house of worship, which is now very convenient and attractive. The expense, incident upon this needful work, has taxed its resources so far as to constrain a temporary appeal for aid in support of preaching. The congregation is increasing in numbers and interest, and there are hopeful indications for the future.

Sandwich.—This church still holds on its way against very serious obstacles. A revived interest in religion has recently been manifested, and additions, large when compared with its previous number, have been made to the church. Arrangements are in progress for aiding the church in North Sandwich in connection with this. The whole region is one in which missionary labor is greatly needed. The obstacles to be encountered are only such as should spur on to more vigorous and determined effort to claim and hold it for Christ.

Seabrook, South.—The Rev. W. A. Rand, who has so long and

successfully labored here, has now been ordained and installed as pastor of the church. An effort is in progress to complete the church edifice, which, it is hoped, will prove successful. Special religious interest, resulting in a considerable number of conversions, has marked the year. The prospect for the future in this very interesting field, has never seemed more hopeful than now.

Stewartstown, West.—The faithful missionary at this important post died just at the close of his first year of labor. He came here in July of last year, direct from the Seminary, with constitutional vigor probably somewhat impaired, and labored beyond his strength. Watchful of opportunities, unsparing of himself, he was laying, broad and deep, the foundations of the church, and success, not striking, but real and permanent, was crowning his labors. To a work from which the eye of man is turned away, he devoted talents and culture which would have fitted him to adorn almost any position in the ministry. He was one of those whom we "could not spare," but the Lord had need of him for other service. The church which he was called to leave is, on its own account, and still more from its position, present and prospective, one of the most important which we have to care for, one that should be wisely and vigorously sustained.

Stoddard.—This church is supplied one third part of the time in connection with that at Washington. Its condition has decidedly improved within the year. The interest in the Sabbath School, and in all religious ordinances, has much increased, and several have, it is hoped, commenced the new life. The revived interest still continues.

Surry.—The Rev. E. F. Abbott labored here for some three months in the winter, with considerable manifestation of interest on the part of the people. This is one of a considerable class of towns in the State, where, if the people could be united and thoroughly interested, something could be done, but where, if the shibboleths of sect are still to be reckoned as more important than the simple saving truths of the Gospel, the case seems well-nigh hopeless.

Tamworth.—This church, so long conspicuous as the scene of Father Hidden's labors and successes, has, in the process of de-

cay which has fallen upon our hill country, been constrained, for the first time in its history, to ask aid in supporting the ministry of the Word. It is hoped that this need will be only temporary, for there is still around it a large population which only needs to become thoroughly interested to furnish abundant means for self-support. Still the call of such a church in its hour of need will always be responded to with alacrity.

Wakefield.—This church has, through the assistance of generous friends, been enabled to dispense with further aid from us. It holds an important position. Our best wishes and prayers will still follow it in the independent effort to hold the ground, firmly and successfully, for Christ.

Washington.—A season of special religious interest last autumn resulted in several additions to the church. In other respects the aspect of things is not materially changed from last year. This field, like so many of the farms of our State, is hard and rocky, but still too good to be abandoned.

Weare, South.—This is a new enterprise. An investigation, last summer, disclosed a territory, embracing a population of eight hundred souls, with no organized religious body and no stated preaching of the Gospel. A strong desire for such preaching was manifested by a considerable portion of the people. As the way seemed clearly open for us, Mr. A. B. Palmer, who is a licentiate of the Orange Association, was engaged to labor there for the winter. He has labored with great acceptance on the part of the people, and with a degree of, at least outward, success which the most sanguine did not anticipate. A congregation and Sabbath School, which give promise of permanence, have been gathered, a Congregational society has been legally organized, and an effort, which promises to be successful, is making to erect a church edifice. All the elements for a large, self-supporting church and society are present, only needing to be developed under the direction and influence of the Holy Spirit. The outlay in starting such an enterprise is considerable, but we do not think that any intelligent Christian, acquainted with the facts, would wish to withhold it.

Wentworth.—The attendance on public worship and on the social meetings is reported as largely on the increase. This church has the whole town for its undisputed field, and a general

revival of religion, such as not a few faithful Christians have long labored and prayed for, but which has been long withheld, would place it at once among the strong churches of the State.

Wilmot.—Efforts, which promise to be successful, have recently been made to remove some old obstacles to the prosperity of this church. Considerable interest in the cause, and readiness to make personal sacrifices to promote it, have been manifested, and it is hoped that better days are at hand.

Wolfeboro', North.—The community around this little church consists of only about forty scattered families, but these are, almost without exception, interested and constant attendants on such privileges of public worship as they are able to secure. The brief vacation services of Theological students, all that for several years they could obtain, have not been without fruit, but it is greatly to be desired that a people, so prepared to appreciate religious privileges, should have them for a longer period. Would that some way could be devised by which such communities could have the privileges which so many elsewhere despise and neglect.

There are one or two special aspects of our field of labor to which in closing we wish to turn attention.

A GOSPEL FOR THE PEOPLE.

One is a change in the character of the communities among which we are to labor, and in part, also, in our relations to them, and to the other Christian bodies laboring in the common field, demanding, possibly, some change in our methods of work, and in the qualification of missionaries. We have heard in other days somewhat of the Congregational element in a community, the Methodist element, and so on; of the one element, or the other, as predominating, or being exhausted in a given place, and methods of work have been adopted, and a style of ministers sought, which corresponded with the idea conveyed by these expressions. It has even been proposed to divide the field between different bodies of Christians upon some such basis. Now whatever reason there may have been in the past for such notions, the time has, we believe, fully come to dismiss them forever. One of the grand peculiarities of Christ's gospel was that it was a gospel for the poor, that is, for the people, not for a class;

and if as Congregationalists we have not a gospel for the people, but only for an "element" in the community, if men and women who are sinners and need to be saved are not "Congregational element," then Congregationalism is certainly, at best, only a very imperfect type of Christianity, and the sooner it is changed to correspond with the original the better. If we do not bring a gospel for the people, the question what reason there is for the existence of our society at all, will not be easy to answer. Certainly in that case we cannot complain that other denominations come into places, however small, to supply our lack of service there. But if we are to evangelize the people, then we must resort to men and methods by which the people can be reached, after the way of Him whom the common people heard gladly. We cannot, and this should be distinctly understood, sustain a church that simply a few in the community may enjoy a spiritual luxury that is to their taste. That might be a good thing to do if there were nothing better, but we have more important, more imperative work on our hands. The question is how to bring the Gospel with its saving power into the life of the whole community. The success of the canvass of the Young Men's Christian Association, the success of plain business men in reaching classes that ministers, regularly trained and authorized, have signally failed to reach, may teach lessons here not wisely to be disregarded. We want men and methods by which the people shall be reached, and the gospel, the grace of God in Christ, made a saving power in their hearts, And if it should happen on any field that we have to build with "rejected stones," it will not be the first time in the history of the church of Christ that this has been done, nor would the experience of the past lead us to regard it as necessarily a calamity.

These remarks apply, with special pertinency and force, to our smaller towns and communities, where it is peculiarly important that whatever church occupies the ground should meet all the religious wants of the community, in order thus to prevent that multiplication of churches of different names upon such limited fields which is simply ruinous, which is actually dooming large portions of the State to practical heathenism. But it is not alone to such places that they apply. The towering, colossal want of the time, that, in the presence of which,

almost every other want is dwarfed, is that which shall practically be *a gospel for the people*. Of spiritual luxury for the few there is possibly more than enough. What is wanted is food for the starving masses.

OUR RELATION TO THE WORK UPON THE FRONTIER.

Our connection with the National society and its work is another matter upon which we deem it important that just and enlarged views should be entertained. That connection is one of very great interest and importance to us. We should deprecate exceedingly the ceasing of the contributions of our churches to flow from our treasury to that of the National society, the severing or even weakening of the intimate bond which unites the two. Our churches greatly need the enlargement of view, and the mighty inspiration which come from connection with a work so grand in its proportions, so vast and vital and far-reaching in the issues depending on it, so urgent in its appeals and motives. We hope, and confidently expect, that our contributions will more and more overflow into this channel, that the time is not far distant when the larger part of them can, and will, be spared for this purpose. But we should not forget that our richest contributions to this great work are, and are still to be, not in money, but in men; and that in contributions of this sort, not *less* important certainly than contributions of money, no State has surpassed New-Hampshire; and that it is from just the churches now requiring our aid that the largest contributions of this sort go; that, therefore, in the very fact of the emigration by which they are made and kept impoverished, is one of the very strongest arguments for sustaining them, to the end that fountains, which so send their streams afar, may be kept sweet and wholesome.

THE "POWER FROM ON HIGH."

The past year has witnessed so much of the manifested presence among our churches of the Divine Comforter, the Convincer of sin, the Renewer of souls, the Inspirer and Guide of Christ's disciples, as, at least, to suggest very forcibly the value and importance of his work. A thoughtful consideration of His true place and work as supreme, as the only life inspiring one among all the agencies for the building up of the cause of Christ,

will show how, we had almost said, specially, important for our work is the descent upon our missionaries and missionary churches of that "power from on high," for which the apostles were commanded to tarry at Jerusalem. Three fourths of the population around these churches never even enter the Sanctuary. And yet every one of these, indifferent as he may be, has the same vital interest in the redeeming work of Christ as any member of the church has. The gospel is designed and fitted to be the power of God unto salvation to him as really as to any one. One half of these neglectors, brought into the churches, would make them, not only self-supporting, but mighty among the spiritual forces of the time. Such a change in the condition of these churches is to be contemplated as more than possible. It only requires larger displays of the same power whose presence has brought joy and blessing to so many of our churches in the last few months, to secure this result. Let our thankfulness for what God hath wrought, turn into deeper longings and more earnest prayers for a still larger blessing. Let our faith in the power and grace of the Holy Spirit, in His proper office as the Special Divine Agent in the dispensation under which we are living and laboring, and our faith in the promise of God to give the Spirit *to them that ask him*, inspire us "to attempt great things for God, and expect great things from God," still to labor and wait in longing expectation "until the Spirit be *poured* upon us from on high."

Next year, the Centennial of our Nation's birth, will complete three quarters of a century since the organization of this society. It will be a fitting epoch for reviewing the past, and forecasting, in its light, the future, for reckoning up what has been done, and inquiring what remains for us to do, for gathering up what of inspiration and encouragement the past may furnish for future work, and what lessons of wisdom it may afford as to plans and methods by which that work may best be done; a fitting epoch in which to inquire, in the light of history and experience, what is the true value of home missions as one of the factors by which the destinies of our State and Country, and through them, of the world, are to be shaped.

For the Trustees:

E. H. Greeley, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1874-5.

L. D. STEVENS, *Treasurer, in account with*
THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

	Dr.
To balance from last year's account,	$6.607.43
Donations from churches and individuals,	3,812.20
" " New-Hampshire Cent Institution,	2.589.60
Legacies,	1.965.00
Donations for American Home Missionary Society,	664.83
Income from Permanent Fund,	124.00
Receipts from miscellaneous sources,	198.51
	$15,852.57
	Cr.
By Amount paid feeble churches and missionaries,	$8,105.11
" " American Home Missionary Society,	1,694.83
" " To Secretary, as salary,	1.500.00
" " for his traveling expenses, postage, stationery, &c.,	185.85
" " Treasurer, as salary,	150.00
" " Treasurer of N. H. Cent Institution, as salary,	30.00
" " for postage, stationery, stamps and expressage of the N. H. Miss. Society and N. H. Cent Institution,	31.35
" " R. W. Musgrove, for printing Annual Reports,	134.79
" " " " " Cent Reports,	78.00
Balance carried to next year's account,	4.042.64
	$15,952.57

This certifies that we have examined the account of Hon. L. D. Stevens, Treasurer of the New Hampshire Missionary Society, and find the same correct, leaving in his hands a balance of four thousand forty-two dollars and sixty-four cents.

JOHN KIMBALL,
GEO. E. JENKS, } *Auditors.*

RECEIPTS.

Amherst—Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Miss Lydia Peabody life member of the A. H. M. Society, $63.51; Legacy of Hannah Sawtelle, $10.00,	$73.51
Atkinson—Congregational Church and Society, $28.45; a friend, $2.50,	30.95
Antrim—Congregational Church and Society,	10.00
Acworth—Congregational Church and Society, $9.00; Female Charitable Society, in full to constitute Mrs. B. C. Finley life member of the A. H. M. S., $15.50,	24.50
Alstead—Three Classes in the Sunday School,	12.00
Bristol—Congregational Church and Society, $19.43; for A. H. M. S., $10.00,	29.43
Barnstead Parade—Congregational Church and Society,	5.00
Bennington—Congregational Church and Society, for A. H. M. S.,	25.00
Bedford—Blanchard Nichols, for A. H. M. S.,	10.00
Brookline—Congregational Church and Society,	9.20
Colebrook—Congregational Church and Society,	45.44
Concord, South—Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Wm. H. Allison, Charles Kimball, Charles W. Harvey, George E. Jenks and Jona. B. Weeks, life members, $301.22; for A. H. M. S., $51.12; Miss Ella L. Pickering's S. S. class, $1.78,	354.12
Concord—A friend, for the A. H. M. S., $6.00; a friend, for the A. H. M. S., $25.00 and for the N. H. M. S., $15.00; a friend, for A. H. M. S., $50.00,	96.00
Candia—Congregational Church and Society,	56.00
Charlestown—Congregational Church and Society,	18.61
Canterbury—Legacy of Benj. Whidden,	200.00
Claremont—Edward L. Goddard, to constitute himself life member, $30.00; Congregational Church and Society, for the A. H.M. S., $25.00; and for the N. H. M. S., 50.50; legacy of Mrs. Miranda Smith, $1000.00,	1105.50
Campton—Congregational Church and Society, $12.37; Wm. G. Brown, $5.00,	17.37
Concord, West—Congregational Church and Society,	9.00
Canaan—Mrs. Sarah Harris,	10.00
Cornish Flat—Congregational Church and Society, in part to constitute ——— life member of A. H. M. S.,	13.10
Concord, North—Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Allen Folger, Charles W. Moore and Jacob N. Flanders, life members,	107.82
Centre Harbor—Congregational Church and Society, in part to constitute Rev. Joseph S. Gay life member,	23.10
Chester—Congregational Church and Society, to constituteu Lcian Kent life member,	30.00
Derry—First Congregational Church and Society,	60.00
Danbury—First Congregational Church and Society,	18.76
Dalton—Congregational Church and Society,	8.00
Dunbarton—Congregational Church and Society,	9.00

Dartmouth College—Congregational Church and Society,	74.00
Dover—Legacy of Sarah Green, $400.00; First Congregational Church and Society, $231.00,	631.00
Exeter—First Congregational Church and Society, $40.89; Second Congregational Church and Society, $93.15; Mr. Perkins' S. S. Class, $5.00,	139.04
Epping—Congregational Church and Society, $38.35; Mr. Enoch Pearson, for A. H. M. S., $5.00,	43.35
East Alstead—First Congregational Church and Society, $7.00; Second Congregational Church and Society, $10.00,	17.00
East Andover—Congregational Church and Society,	17.07
Francestown—Congregational Church and Society,	3.39
Fisherville—Congregational Church and Society, $22.00; Rev. Wm. R. Jewett, $10.00,	32.00
Gilmanton—Congregational Church and Society,	18.50
Greenland—Congregational Church and Society,	30,80
Greenville—Congregational Church and Society,	3.00
Gilsum—Congregational Church and Society,	9.00
Goffstown—Congregational Church and Society,	31.40
Great Falls—Congregational Church and Society,	76.00
Hampstead—Congregational Church and Society,	16.80
Hollis—Congregational Church and Society, for A. H. M. S., $44.00; Estate of Miss Patty Rockwood, for A. H. M. S., $100.00; a friend, $4.00; a friend, $5.00,	153.00
Hillsboro' Bridge—Congregational Church and Society,	7.30
Haverhill—Congregational Church and Society, $32.71; Estate of Lyman Buck, to constitute Lyman Buck, jr., life member, $30.00,	62.71
Hampton—Congregational Church and Society,	15.95
Hebron—Rev. J. B. Cook,	5.00
Henniker—Congregational Church and Society, $61.50, and for the A. H. M. S., in full to constitute Miss Sarah Newton, life member, $99.75,	161.25
Hanover—Congregational Church and Society,	37.35
Hanover Centre—Congregational Church and Society,	6.00
Jaffrey—Congregational Church and Society,	9.50
Kingston—Congregational Church and Society, 14.15; Rev. Jacob Chapman, $6.85; Mrs. M. R. F. Patten, for A. H. M., S., $6.00,	27.00
Keene—Second Congregational Church and Society, $49.30; First Congregational Church and Society, $79.00, and to constitute Miss Lauretta M. Boies life member, $95.28,	223.58
Lempster—Congregational Church and Society,	19.00
Laconia—Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Dea. Wm. Morrill life member,	41.84
Lyme—Congregational Church and Society,	44.84
Lebanon—Congregational Church and Society,	8.65
Litchfield—Presbyterian Church and Society,	14.38
Littleton—Congregational Church and Society,	30.00
Loudon—Congregational Church and Society,	8.00
Meredith—Congregational Church and Society, $2.00; Mrs. Martha Dodge, $2.00,	4.00
Meriden—Congregational Church and Society, $15.25; N. Barrows, $5.00,	20.25
Manchester—First Congregational Church and Society, $140.14; for A. H. M. S., $20.50,	160.64
Mason—Congregational Church and Society,	25.25
Mont Vernon—J. A. Starrett, for the A. H. M. S., $10.00; Congregational Church and Society, $16.67,	26.67

Merrimack—Congregational Church and Society, $61.34; Mr. Reuben H. Pratt, $4.00,	65.34
Milford—A friend, for the A. H. M. S.,	5.00
Marlboro'—Congregational Church and Society,	55.45
Meredith Village—Congregational Church and Society,	22.00
North Hampton—Congregational Church and Society,	29.95
North Conway—Miss M. C. Merrill, for A. H. M. S.,	10.00
Newport—Congregational Church and Society,	26.47
Nashua—Pearl St. Congregational Church and Society, $68.00; First Congregational Church and Society, $384.35,	452.35
North Sandwich—Mrs. McCrillis,	2.50
Nelson—Congregational Church and Society,	10.00
Piermont—Mr. E. P. Bussell,	1.00
Peterborough—Union Evangelical Church and Society, $28.50; Mrs. M. A. and Miss M. D. Whitney, for A. H. M. S., $3.00,	31.50
Portsmouth—North Congregational Church and Society,	225.00
Pelham—E. W. Tyler, in full to constitute Mary Griffin life Member of the A. H. M. S., $15.00; Congregational Church and Society, $35.50, and for A. H. M. S., $35.50; a friend for the A. H. M. S., $10.00,	96.00
Plymouth—Congregational Church and Society,	16.13
Pittsfield—Congregational Church and Society,	39.38
Rochester—Congregational Church and Society,	30.13
Raymond—Congregational Church and Society, $17.20; Legacy of Ezekiel Laue, $325.00,	342.20
Rindge—Congregational Church and Society,	38.46
Swansey—Congregational Church and Society,	8.60
Stratham—Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Mrs. Mary Scammon life member,	30.50
Sullivan—Congregational Church and Society,	5.00
Sanbornton—Congregational Church and Society.	28.00
Tilton—Congregational Church and Society,	14.50
Tamworth—Congregational Church and Society,	8.50
Washington—Congregational Church and Society,	9.25
West Stewartstown—Congregational Church and Society,	11.00
Wakefield—Congregational Church and Society,	20.00
Webster—Congregational Church and Society,	12.45
Wolfeborough—Congregational Church and Society,	40.00
Winchester—Congregational Church and Society,	15.00
Walpole—Congregational Church and Society,	39.00
Wilton—Congregational Church and Society,	16.13
Wilmot—Congregational Church and Society,	19.32

PERSONS CONSTITUTED LIFE MEMBERS OF THE A. H. M. S. DURING THE YEAR.

Amherst—Lydia Peabody.
Henniker—Miss Sarah Newton.
Peterborough—Mrs. W. A. Whitney.
" Miss M. D. Whitney.
Pelham—Mary Griffin.

PERSONS CONSTITUTED LIFE MEMBERS OF THE N. H. M. S. DURING THE YEAR.

Concord—Dea. Wm. H. Allison.
" Dea. Charles Kimball.
" Dea. Charles W. Harvey.
" Geo. E. Jenks.
" Jona. B. Weeks.
" Allen Folger.
" Charles W. Moore.
" Jacob H. Flanders.
Claremont—Edward L. Goddard.
Centre Harbor—Rev. Joshua S. Gay.
Chester—Lucian Kent.
Haverhill—Lyman Buck, jr.
Keene—Miss Lauretta M. Boies.
Laconia—Dea. William Morrill.
Stratham—Mrs. Mary Scammon.

TABLE

Showing the places where the Anniversaries of the Society have been held, including the Place of its Organization, in 1801, *and the whole amount raised in the State for Home Missions each year.*

YEARS. PLACES.	AMOUNT.
1801—Hopkinton,	$51.56
1802—Concord,	386.62
1803—Concord,	309.46
1804—Concord,	406.09
1805—Hopkinton,	602.84
1806—Hopkinton,	611.49
1807—Hopkinton,	600.66
1808—Concord,	1,290.48
1809—Concord,	735.92
1810—Concord,	1,288.27
1811—Dunbarton,	953.92
1812—Hollis,	1,520.58
1813—Plymouth,	932.27
1814—Hanover,	2,638.90
1815—Keene,	2,807.98
1816—Concord,	2,633.36
1817—Exeter,	2,395.05
1818—Dover	2,427.10
1819—Haverhill,	2,537.21
1820—Portsmouth,	1,712.56
1821—New-Ipswich,	1,851.07
1822—Pembroke,	1,755.18
1823—Acworth,	1,846.20
1824—Londonderry (Derry),	2,637.44
1825—Lyme,	1,869.09
1826—Durham,	1,872.07
1827—Rindge,	3,263.65
1828—Salisbury,	1,951.83
1829—Newport,	2,416.71
1830—Portsmouth,	2,479.86
1831—Concord,	2,371.34
1832—Amherst,	5,820.75
1833—Keene,	5,067.66
1834—Meredith Bridge,	4,843.24

YEARS.	PLACES.	AMOUNT.
1835	Plymouth,	$7,795.24
1836	Exeter,	4,942.02
1837	Claremont,	5,506.14
1838	New-Ipswich,	5,396.81
1839	Lyme,	4,616.37
1840	Hampton,	4,596.83
1841	Francestown,	5,187.03
1842	Dover,	5,361.11
1843	Nashua,	5,730.37
1844	Concord, South Church,	7,582.66
1845	Portsmouth.	5,365.19
1846	Newport,	9,027.15
1847	Meredith Bridge (Laconia),	6,050.51
1848	Manchester, First Church,	7,720.75
1849	Plymouth,	7,010.12
1850	Great Falls,	7,368.54
1851	Acworth,	9,948.47
1852	Pittsfield	7,896.50
1853	Littleton,	10,461.21
1854	Derry,	8,417.53
1855	Concord, First Church,	7,992.34
1856	Exeter, First Church,	6,690.47
1857	Keene,	8,148.55
1858	Hampton,	6,732.26
1859	Boscawen,	8,076.99
1860	Claremont,	7,258.60
1861	Portsmouth,	8,148.68
1862	Concord, South,	7,182.49
1863	Haverhill,	8,606.57
1864	Manchester,	7,556.61
1865	Newport,	8,589.13
1866	Dover,	20,064.51
1867	Nashua,	12,068.17
1868	Concord, North Church,	11,810.04
1869	Keene,	22,932.54
1870	Milford,	9,598.92
1871	Rochester,	14,600.79
1872	Bristol,	11,962.15
1873	Laconia,	11,825.23
1874	Exeter,	17,326.70
1875	Claremont,	11,345.18
	Total amount raised in seventy-four years,	$427,016.11

MINUTES

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APPOINTMENTS AND OFFICERS FOR THE SESSION OF 1877.

SECRETARY,

Rev. FRANKLIN D. AYER, *Concord.*

STATISTICAL SECRETARY AND TREASURER,

Rev. SAMUEL L. GEROULD, *Goffstown.*

ANNUAL MEETING at Great Falls, September 11, 12 and 13, 1877, *commencing Tuesday Evening, September* 11, *at* 7 *o'clock.*

PREACHER OF OPENING SERMON to be appointed.

PREACHER BEFORE THE SACRAMENT, Rev. Levi Rodgers, Claremont, *Primary;* Rev. Washington Choate, Manchester, *Substitute.*

COMMITTEE OF NOMINATIONS, Rev. Cyrus Richardson, Keene; Rev. Ephraim E. P. Abbott, Newport; Rev. Albert B. Peabody, Stratham.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS, Rev. Stephen W. Webb, Great Falls; Rev. Abram J. Quick, Rochester; Albert A. Perkins, Great Falls.

ESSAY. Systematic Benevolence. Rev. Edward H. Greeley, *Primary;* Rev. Edward Robie, D.D., *Substitute,*

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION. 1. The best method of utilizing the spiritual resources of our churches. Rev. E. E. P. Abbott, *Primary;* Rev. Ira C. Tyson, *Substitute.*

2. The best means to be used to increase the interest in the study of the Scriptures in the Sabbath School. Rev. Frank G. Clark, *Primary;* Rev. Edward P. Butler, *Substitute.*

3. How shall our Sabbath Services be rendered more effectual of good? Rev. S. Leroy Blake, *Primary;* Prof. Albert C. Perkins, *Substitute.*

COUNTY CONFERENCES.

Name	No. Churches.	Clerk, Statistical Scribe and Treasurer.	Time of Meeting June, 1877.	Place of meeting, '77.	Assessment. $300.00
Cheshire,	26	Rev. J. L. Merrill.	2d Wednesday.	East Jaffrey	$36.00
Coos,	10	Rev. A. E. Hall.	2d Tuesday.	Lancaster.	8.00
Grafton,	23	Rev. Q. Blakely, S. S. Dea. Isaac Willard, C.&T.	2d Tuesday.	Lebanon.	30.00
Hillsboro',	34	Rev. F. D. Sargent, S. S. Rev. C. L. Hubbard, C.&T.	2d Tuesday.	Amherst.	83.00
Merrimack,	25	Rev. S. L. Blake.	2d Tuesday.	Franklin.	42.00
Rockingham,	33	Rev. A. B. Peabody.	2d Tuesday.	N. Hampton	52.00
Strafford,	32	Rev. S. G. Norcross.	2d Tuesday.	Rochester.	33.00
Sullivan,	13	Rev. Jas. Marshall.	2d Tuesday.	Cornish.	16.00

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATIONS.

The membership is shown in Alphabetical List of Ministers.

Name.	No. Memb's	Scribe.	Meetings, *Tuesdays.*
Belknap,	15	Rev. Q. Blakely.	Before last Sabbath in Jan. & Oct., and 2d in May & Aug.
Derry and Manchester,	17	Rev. E. S. Huntress.	2d in Jan., April, July and Oct.
Harmony,	0	None.	*No known member living.*
Hollis,	20	Rev. D. E. Adams.	1st in Feb., May, Aug. and Nov.
Lancaster,	3	Rev. A. E. Hall.	1st in Feb., May and Oct.
Merrimack,	18	Rev. M. D. Bisbee.	1st in Jan., Mar., May, July, Sept. Nov.
Monadnock,	22	Rev. E. Harmon.	2d in May, Aug., Oct. and Dec.
Orange,	9	Rev. L. H. Elliot.	1st in Feb., May and Sept.
Piscataqua,	29	Rev. I. C. White.	3d in Jan., April. July and Oct.
Sullivan,	11	Rev. L. Rodgers.	2d in Feb., May, Sept. and Nov.
Suncook,	7	Rev. W. O. Carr.	2d in Jan.. April, July and Oct.
Union,	9	Rev. Geo. Dustan.	2d in May, Aug. and Oct.
White River,	11	Rev. Wm. Sewall.	2d in Jan., May, July, Sept. & Nov., and 3d in March.

CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

1. NAME. This body shall be called the GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

II. MEMBERS. This Association shall be composed of delegates from the several District Associations of Ministers, and Conferences of Churches, in the following proportions: namely, one minister for every three members of an Association, and one layman for every three churches belonging to a Conference; and also of the officers, preachers and committees for the year for which they are chosen, the delegates who the preceding year fulfilled their appointments in person, the persons appointed to prepare essays and lead in discussions, the Secretaries and Treasurers of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, the New-Hampshire Bible Society, the New-Hampshire Education Society, and the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund, a representation of the Faculty of Dartmouth College. and the minister of the church with which the Association meets. Twelve members shall constitute a quorum. All other ministers and members of the churches connected with the Association, who may be present, shall be considered as corresponding members, with the right to speak and serve on committees, but not to vote.

III. FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES. 1. It is ever to be understood that the system of Scripture doctrine contained in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism is the basis of our union in this Association. Hence every Association and every Conference in this State, receiving these doctrines as the Christian Faith, is invited to unite in this body.

2. This General Association wholly disclaims ecclesiastical power or authority over the churches, or the opinions of individuals.

3. The essential objects of the Association are "to promote brotherly intercourse and harmony, and our mutual animation, assistance and usefulness as ministers and churches of Christ; to obtain religious information relative to the state of our particular churches, and the general state of the Christian church in this country and throughout the world; and to co-operate with other similar institutions in the most eligible measures for building up the cause of truth and holiness."

IV. MEETING AND ORGANIZATION. 1. This Association shall meet annually, on the Tuesday after the second Sabbath of September, at seven o'clock P. M., in such place as shall be designated at the preceding meeting, and notified by the Secretary, and be opened with a sermon.

2. At the close of this service the preacher shall take the chair, and preside until a Moderator is chosen. The Secretary shall receive the certificates of delegates, and report the names of members; when the Association shall be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an Assistant Scribe, by ballot.

V. PERMANENT OFFICERS AND STATISTICS. 1. The permanent officers of this Association shall be a Secretary and Statistical Secretary, each to be chosen by ballot for the term of three years from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made.

2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of this body, prepare an outline of business, preserve schedules and narratives of the state of religion, conduct the correspondence of this body, and notify all delegates to foreign bodies of their appointment, with the time and places of meeting of the bodies to which they are appointed.

3. It shall be the duty of the Statistical Secretary to procure the statistics of the churches, and narratives of the state of religion, through the Statistical Scribes of the several Conferences, complete and arrange them for publication, and prepare from these several reports a narrative of the state of religion, to be read before the Association and published in the minutes. He shall superintend their printing, and be a member of the Publishing Committee. The Statistical Secretary shall be the Treasurer of the Association, and be empowered to receive and pay out such sums of money as the body may direct.

4. These Secretaries shall be allowed their expenses for correspondence and attendance on the meetings of this body.

5. Each Conference connected with this body is requested to appoint a Statistical Scribe, to collect the statistics of the churches within its bounds, in methods designated by this body, and under the direction of the Statistical Secretary of the General Association. In case any Conference shall fail to appoint such a scribe prior to the first day of May, the Statistical Secretary may designate some person to act in this capacity for the year.

6. The statistical returns, with respect to the number in the churches, shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers at the end of the statistical year, which shall commence with the first of June.

VI. VACANCIES. In case of the decease of either one of the permanent officers, or his removal from the State, the duties of his office shall devolve upon his associate.

VII. COMMITTEES. 1. At each meeting of the Association a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, of which the minister of the church with which the Association is to meet shall be chairman, shall be appointed for the succeeding meeting, who shall prepare and arrange the business of the session, including the selection of the preacher of the opening sermon; and no business shall be introduced without their consent. But if the committee shall decline presenting any item of business requested by a member, he may appeal from their decision to the Association.

2. At each meeting shall be chosen a Committee of Inquiry, consisting of three, to report during the session, whose duties shall be as follows:

(*a*) To designate three questions of religious doctrine or practice, one of which shall relate to the interests of Sabbath Schools, for the consideration of the Association, and to nominate three persons, with substitutes, to lead the discussion on each of these topics, who shall carefully prepare themselves for this duty, and shall be allowed ten minutes each; to be followed by a general discussion, speakers limited to five minutes each.

(*b*) To designate some topic, respecting ecclesiastical polity and

usage, or missionary and educational enterprises, and to nominate one person, with substitute, to prepare a carefully written essay, not to exceed twenty minutes, to be subject to the subsequent remark of the Association.

3. There shall also be a standing Committee of Nominations, consisting of three persons, so constituted that one member shall go out each year in rotation, whose duty it shall be to make all nominations not otherwise provided for. This committee shall elect a chairman, who shall keep a record of all appointments made by the Association.

4. The Scribe of the Association and the Statistical Secretary, and such other persons as they may select, shall be a committee of publication. They shall revise and publish such extracts of the minutes as they may deem proper, and order such number of copies printed as the Association shall direct. The Statistical Secretary shall send a copy of the minutes to each minister and each church connected with this Association, and copies to other ecclesiastical bodies, in numbers as shall be mutually agreed upon.

VIII. ORDER AND RULES OF PROCEEDINGS. *Tuesday*, 7 P. M. Opening sermon, to be followed by organization, choice of committees and business of the Association.

Wednesday, 9 A. M. Business of the Association.

9 1-2 A. M. Reading of Essay, and discussion thereon.

10 1-2 A. M. Brief reports of delegates to foreign bodies, after which, shall be a presentation of benevolent causes; only three of which, in addition to the State Auxiliaries, shall be presented at any meeting. No cause shall be presented oftener than once in two years; and the order of rotation shall be: 1st year, American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions; Congregational Publishing Society; Congregational Union. 2nd year, American Missionary Association; Tract Society; Seaman's Friend Society.

2 P. M. Business of the Association.

2 1-2 P. M. Narrative of the State of religion, with additional statements respecting revivals, and other facts of interest.

4 P. M. Discussion of question relating to Sabbath Schools, or a Children's Meeting.

7 P. M. Minister's and Widow's Charitable Fund.

8 P. M. Discussion of question.

Thursday, 9 A. M. Business of the Association.

9 1-2 A. M. Presentation of the religious condition of Dartmouth College.

10 1-2 A. M. Discussion of question.

2 P. M. The Association will attend religious services, in which a sermon shall be delivered by a minister previously appointed, and our Lord's death commemorated in the sacrament of the supper.

4 P. M. Business of the Association.

7 P. M. Anniversary of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society.

All sessions shall be interspersed with devotional exercises, with a morning prayer-meeting each day, at such times as the Committee of Arrangements shall deem best.

IX. RULES. 1. At the hour of meeting in the morning, the Moderator shall take the chair, call the members to order, direct the roll to be called, open the session with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read. Each session shall be closed with prayer or singing.

2. No motion shall be discussed unless seconded. No member shall

speak more than twice on the same motion, without liberty from the Association. Any motion or resolution shall, at the request of the Moderator or any two members, be reduced to writing.

3. The Moderator may speak on points of order, in preference to other members; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he shall not speak on the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and calling some one to preside while he speaks.

4. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question—namely, Shall the main question now be put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate and bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a committee, if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

5. If a question under debate contain several parts, any member my have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

6. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair, and shall be subject to no needless interruption. If he acts disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of the other members, to call him to order.

7. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting without the consent of the Moderator.

X. CORRESPONDENCE. 1. The Association will maintain a fraternal relation with other ecclesiastical bodies, so far as this shall be deemed consistant with the principles of our organization, by the appointment and interchange of delegates. Representatives from ecclesiastical bodies with whom we are in correspondence shall have the privilege of sitting with us, and participating in our deliberation as honorary members.

2. The Secretary may also, in special cases, at his discretion, give credentials to any member of this body, entitling him to act as its representative at the meeting of similar bodies in other states.

XI. EXPENSES. The cost of printing the Minutes, and other necessary expenses of this Association, shall be defrayed by assessments, apportioned among the several Conferences uniting in this organization, according to the number and relative strength of the churches belonging to each; and the Treasurer of each Conference shall be responsible to the Treasurer of the General Association for the amount so assessed.

XII. AMENDMENTS. Any of the foregoing articles, except the fundamental rules, may be amended or annulled at a regular meeting of this body in which two thirds of the Associations and Conferences are represented, by a majority of the members voting.

MINUTES.

The General Association of New-Hampshire met, for its sixty-seventh annual meeting, at Littleton, in the Congregational Church, Monday, Sept. 11, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

The opening sermon was preached by Prof. E. D. Sanborn, of Dartmouth College. Text, Mark XII: 17. "Render to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, and to God the things that are God's." The sermon was a history of the churches and ministry of this State.

After the sermon, the Association was called to order by the preacher.

The following persons were enrolled as members:

DELEGATES FROM DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

Belknap—Rev. Quincy Blakely, Rev. Geo. I. Bard, Rev. Joshua S. Gay, Rev. Moses T. Runnels, Rev. Chas. L. Tappan.

Derry and Manchester—Rev. Geo. E. Lovejoy, Rev. Charles Tenney, Rev. Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D.

Hollis—Rev. William Clark, D.D.

Merrimack—Rev. Nathaniel Bouton, D.D., Rev. Abraham Burnham, Rev. Albert W. Fiske, Rev. Joseph A. Freeman, Rev. William E. Spear.

Monadnock—Rev. E. Irvin Carpenter, Rev. Amos Holbrook, Rev. Frank G. Clark.

Orange—Rev. John Q. Rittenger, Rev. Francis B. Knowlton.

Piscataqua—Rev. Joseph Bartlett, Rev. Albert B. Peabody, Rev. William A. Rand, Rev. Stephen W. Webb, Rev. Isaac C. White.

Union—Rev. Geo. Dustan.

DELEGATES FROM CONFERENCES.

Cheshire—Dea. Jeremiah Norcross, Rindge.

Coos—Hollis Jordan, Lancaster; Dea. Charles D. Tarbell, Littleton.

Grafton—Dea. Nathan B. Buttrick, Bristol; Dea. Geo. E. Colburn, Groton; Dea. Geo. S. Dean, Wentworth; Benjamin F. Niles, Orfordville.

Hillsborough—C. Frank Burge, Hollis; Hon. William Ramsdell, Milford.

Merrimack—Lorenzo Ames, Canterbury; Reuben L. French, Pittsfield; Dea. John M. Harvey, Hopkinton; Rev. Henry A. Kendall, East Concord; Dea. Chas. F. Stewart, Concord.

Rockingham—John J. Cate, Northwood; Dea. Daniel F. Emerson, Candia; Dea. James R. Leavitt, North Hampton; John S. Rand, Portsmouth; Hazen R. Underhill, Derry.

Strafford—Jonathan M. Taylor, Sanbornton.

Sullivan—Hon. Dexter Richards, Newport.

MEMBERS EX-OFFICIO.

Preachers—Prof. Edwin D. Sanborn, Hanover; Rev. Cyrus Richardson, Keene.

Statistical Secretary—Rev. S. L. Gerould.

Secretary of New-Hampshire Missionary Society—Rev. Edard H. Greeley.

Committee of Arrangements—Rev. Chas. E. Milliken, Littleton; Dea. Nelson C. Farr, Littleton.

Committee of Nominations—Rev. Cyrus Richardson, Keene; Rev. E. E. P. Abbott, Newport; Rev. A. B. Peabody, Stratham.

Essayists—Rev. G. H. Morss, Henniker; Rev. Geo. H. Scott, Plymouth.

The Association was organized by the choice of Rev. Nathaniel Bouton, D.D., of Concord, as Moderator. Rev. Frank G. Clark, of Rindge, as Scribe, and Rev. George E. Lovejoy, of Candia, as Assistant Scribe.

Rev. A. B. Peabody, of Stratham, was appointed on the Committee of Nominations, to serve three years. Rev. Charles E. Milliken was excused from serving any longer on this Committee, and Rev. Cyrus Richardson was appointed to fill his place.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING.

Prayer-meeting from 8 to 9 o'clock; conducted by Rev. W. A. Rand.

9 *o'clock.* Prayer by the Moderator. Minutes read by the Scribe.

On account of the absence of the Auditor, Hon. John W. Noyes was appointed Auditor, *pro tem.*

Rev. Quincy Blakely, Rev. Isaac C. White and Hon. J. W. Noyes were appointed Committee of Inquiry.

Vacancies were filled by the appointment of Rev. Chas. Tenney, of Chester, in place of Rev. Daniel E. Adams; and Rev. A. B. Peabody, of Stratham, in place of Rev. Chas. M. Palmer, on the topics for the afternoon.

Prayer by Rev. Geo. H. Scott. Singing.

The Narrative of the State of Religion was read by Rev. Samuel L. Gerould.

Singing—"I love Thy Kingdom Lord."

Remarks by Rev. Geo. Dustan, Rev. John Bragdon, Bro. Hollis Jordan, Rev. Edward H. Greeley, Rev. Stephen S. N. Greeley and by the Moderator.

Prayer of Thanksgiving by Rev. Chas. Tenney.

Rev. James P. Kimball, of Boston, presented the claims of the American Tract Society.

Rev. Lewis Grout, of Brattleboro', Vt., spoke in behalf of the American Missionary Association.

Rev. Geo. Dustan, delegate to Andover Theological Seminary, made a report.

An address was made by Rev. C. W. Wallace, D.D., of Manchester, in the interest of the New-Hampshire Orphans' Home, at Franklin.

Committee on Noninations reported.

Singing—"Come thou Fount of every blessing." Adjourned.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

2 *o'clock.* Prayer by Rev. F. B. Knowlton. Singing—"Jesus shall reign," etc.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Voted: That one thousand copies of the Narrative of the

State of Religion in the churches be printed next year, and that the number of copies of the Minutes be left with the Statistical Secretary.

A letter of salutation from Rev. Geo. W. Ruland, of the M. E. Conference, was read.

Voted: To request the Committee of Arrangements to make such changes in the order of exercises, as will allow the Association to adjourn on Wednesday evening.

The following paper, upon Denominational Comity, presented by Rev. Edward H. Greeley, was adopted:—

Believing the muliplication, in the smaller towns and communities of the State, of churches of different names, but holding, on the most essential points, the same religious faith, to be one of the most serious obstacles to its complete evangelization; to be a source, often, of weakness rather than of strength to the denominations to which they belong; to be a great scandal to the common cause, and to involve an unwarrantable waste of money and of men, we earnestly recommend:

1. That Christians in such places accustom themselves to emphasize *more* the vital points on which they agree, and *less* the minor points on which they differ, to the extent of waiving denominational preferences altogether, where the interest of the common cause shall seem to require it.

2. That no new church be organized in such places until after a frank and fraternal conference with those concerned in churches already existing.

3. That, where it can wisely be done, such places be given up entirely to the denomination which seems to be in the condition to work them most efficiently and successfully, and that the demonination to which any place is so given up, shall feel itself sacredly pledged to work it as efficiently as possible in the circumstances.

4. That where no surrender of church organization, or of denominational preference is deemed expedient, arrangements, where practicable, be made by two or more weak churches to unite in the support of preaching, alternating between ministers of different denominations, according to the amount contributed by the several churches, or upon some other equitable and mutually satisfactory basis, and that all expressed or implied pledges, made in furtherance of such union, be kept in Christian honor and good faith.

Rev. Ira Emery addressed the Association, bringing salutations from the Freewill Baptist denomination.

Rev. Christopher Cushing, D.D., addressed the Association in reference to a new volume, entitled, "Congregational and Presbyterian Ministry and Churches of New-Hampshire."

Rev. S. W. Hanks presented the Seamen's Cause, which was followed by remarks from Hon. Wm. Ramsdell, of Milford.

Singing—"Salvation, Oh, the joyful sound."

Topic—Conformity to the world. Rom. XII: 2. The Relation and Duty of the Ministry and Professed Christians to the prevailing Spirit of Worldliness, especially the Fashionable Amusements and Recreations of Society. Opened by Rev. Chas. Tenney, of Chester, followed by remarks from Rev. A. B. Peabody, Rev. Geo. Dustan, Wm. Ramsdell, of Milford, Rev. B. Smith, Rev. John Bragdon, Rev. Geo. E. Lovejoy.

Report of Committee of Arrangements.

Address by Rev. Mr. Mack, in the interest of the proposed Old Peoples' Home of New-Hampshire.

Prayer by Rev. M. T. Runnels.

Benediction by the Moderator. Adjourned.

TUESDAY EVENING.

7 *o'clock.* Singing—"Love divine, all love excelling." Prayer by Rev. F. G. Clark.

Remarks on uniformity of statistical reports, by Rev. S. L. Gerould and Rev. Christopher Cushing, D.D.

Voted: That the statistics be prepared, hereafter, from January to January, and that the next report include statistics from May, 1876, to January, 1877.

Eulogistic remarks upon the life and character of Rev. David Perry, late of Hollis, N. H., by C. F. Burge, of Hollis, and Rev. Wm. Clark, D.D.

Report of the Ministers' and Widows' Fund, prepared by the Secretary, Rev. W. R. Jewett, in the absence of the Secretary, was read by Rev. S. L. Gerould.

Voted: That the report be printed.

Remarks upon the Minister's and Widow's Fund were made by Rev. Nath'l Bouton, D.D., Rev. S. S. N. Greeley, Hon. Dexter Richards, Rev. C. W. Wallace, D.D., Hon. Wm. Ramsdell, and

others, and a collection was taken, amounting to $52.20, which was duplicated by Hon. Dexter Richards; making $104.40.

Discussion—Duty and limits of the Church's watch over its members. Opened by Rev. A. B. Peabody, and followed by Rev. C. W. Wallace, D.D.

After singing the doxology, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

8 *o'clock.* Prayer-meeting conducted by Rev. Geo. B. Spalding.

9 *o'clock.* Prayer by Rev. Geo. B. Spalding.

Committee on Nominations made the following report, which was adopted:

Place of meeting next year—Great Falls.

Preacher before the Sacrament—Rev. Levi Rodgers, *Primary;* Rev. Washington Choate, *Substitute.*

Committee of Arrangements—Rev. Stephen W. Webb, Rev. Abram J. Quick, Bro. A. A. Perkins.

Delegate to Andover Theological Seminary—Rev. Geo. B. Spalding, *Primary;* Rev. F. D. Ayer, *Substitute.*

The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, Intemperance is a great social and moral evil, and is a great obstacle to the progress of religion, therefore,

Resolved, by the General Association of New-Hampshire:

(1) We hail with thanksgiving the Temperance Reformation which has blessed our State. We rejoice that Christians have done so much to promote it. We believe it to be a work of the Almighty, and, as such, should receive the active sympathy and support of both pastors and churches.

(2) In the interest of this good cause, we recommend to the churches of New-Hampshire, which we represent, the use of the unfermented fruit of the vine for sacramental purposes.

Voted: That this body send a despatch of Christian recognition to the New-Hampshire State Temperance Convention, now assembled at the Weir's Camp Ground. The following message was forwarded: "The General Association of New-Hampshire in session at Littleton, send Christian Salutations to the Temperance Convention at Weirs. We are with you in heart and aim, for the glorious cause."

Voted: That the following resolutions be adopted, and a copy of the same be forwarded to the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia:

Resolved, That the General Association of New-Hampshire desire to express their appreciation and hearty approval of the Christian firmness manifested, by the Executive Committee of Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia, in keeping the doors of the Exposition closed on the Sabbath.

Voted: That the question of dropping any feeble church of the State from the Statistical report be left to the Secretary of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, the Secretary and Statistical Secretary of the General Association and the Statistical Scribe of the Conference with which the church may be connected.

Committee of Inquiry presented the following report for 1877, which was adopted:

Essay—Systematic Benevolence. *Primary*, Rev. E. H. Greeley; *Substitute*, Rev. Edward Robie, D.D.

Discussions. I. Best method of utilizing the spiritual resources of our churches. Rev. E. E. P. Abbott, *Primary;* Rev. I. C. Tyson, *Substitute.*

II. Best means to be used to increase the interest in the study of the Scriptures in the Sabbath School. Rev. F. G. Clark, *Primary;* Rev. E. P. Butler, *Substitute.*

III. How shall our Sabbath Services be rendered more effectual of good? Rev. S. L. Blake, *Primary;* Prof. A. C. Perkins, *Substitute.*

Singing—"Our Heavenly Father calls."

The following resolution was reported and adopted:

Whereas, God has greatly blessed the labors of our Young Men's Christian Association in their canvass of the State, in the quickening of the churches and the salvation of many souls,

Therefore, Be it resolved, by the General Association of New-Hampshire, in convention assembled, that, with gratitude, we recognize the hand of God in this work, and pray that his blessing may attend their labors in the future.

Prayer by Rev. J. P. Kimball.

Discussion — Place and Importance of the Sunday School Work, in the Church. Opened by Rev. Geo. H. Scott, followed with remarks by Dea. Jas. R. Leavitt, Rev. J. P. Kimball, Brother Lorenzo Ames, Rev. W. E. Spear, Rev. F. G. Clark, Rev. Abram Burnham, Rev. H. T. Fuller, Rev. Geo. I. Bard.

Singing—"I am so glad that our Father in Heaven."

Discussion — How shall a more general observance of the Sabbath be secured? Opened by Rev. Geo. H. Morss. Remarks by Bro. Geo. E. Jenks, Rev. F. G. Clark.

Prayer by Rev. N. F. Carter.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

2 *o'clock.* Prayer by Rev. G. I. Bard. The following resolutions were presented and adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be extended to the United States and Canada Express, through their agent, N. White, Esq., Concord; and that the Secretary of this Association be instructed to communicate this vote to Mr. White.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be, and are hereby, extended to the people of Littleton for their kind and generous hospitality; to Rev. Charles E. Milliken and others, for their careful provision for the meetings of the Association; and to the several Railroad Companies which have reduced their fares.

Voted: That under Article IV. of the Constitution, the words "at 10 o'clock, A. M." be changed so as to read, "at 7 o'clock, P. M."

Voted: That Article VIII. be amended to read as follows:

VIII. Order and Rules of Proceedings. (1) *Tuesday evening, 7 o'clock.* Opening sermon, to be followed by organization, choice of Committees and business of the Association.

(2) *Wednesday*, 9 A. M. Business of Association. 9½ A. M. Reading of the essay and discussion of the same.

10½ A. M. Brief reports of delegates to foreign bodies, after which, shall be a presentation of benevolent causes; only three of which, in addition to the State Auxiliaries, shall be presented at any meeting. No cause shall be presented oftener than

once in two years; and the order of rotation shall be: 1st year, American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions; Congregational Publishing Society; Congregational Union. 2nd year. American Missionary Association; Tract Society; Seaman's Friend Society.

2 P. M. Business.

2½ P. M. Narrative of the State of Religion, with additional statements respecting revivals, and other facts of interest.

4 P. M. Discussion of question relating to Sabbath Schools; or, a children's meeting.

7. P. M. Minister's and Widow's Charitable Fund.

8. P. M. Discussion of question.

Thursday, 9 A. M. Business of the Association.

9½ A. M. Presentation of the religious condition of Dartmouth College.

10½ A. M. Discussion of question.

2. P. M. The Association will attend religious services, in which a sermon shall be delivered by a minister previously appointed, and our Lord's death commemorated in the sacrament of the Supper.

4 P. M. Business of the Association.

7 P. M. Anniversary of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society.

Voted: That the thanks of this Association be extended to Prof. E. D. Sanborn, for the able and interesting historical discourse which he presented on Monday evening, and that a copy be requested for publication.

Voted: That $300 be raised for the current expenses of the Association for the coming year.

Minutes were read and approved.

Sermon before the Communion was by Rev. Cyrus Richardson, of Keene. Text, Heb. VII: 26, "Separate from sinners." taken in connection with 2d Cor. VI: 17, "Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate." Subject—The Christian's separation from the world, as exemplified in the life of Christ.

Rev. Isaac C. White and Rev. E. I. Carpenter officiated at the Communion Table.

After closing remarks by the Moderator, Rev. Dr. Bouton, and response by Rev. C. E. Milliken, the Association adjourned.

N. BOUTON, *Moderator.*

FRANK G. CLARK, *Scribe.*

GEORGE E. LOVEJOY, *Assistant Scribe.*

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

For many years, at our annual meetings, we had been wont to deplore the low state of Zion. We felt like the captive Jews, and refused to sing the Lord's song. But through all, God lived and reigned. Last year we took up our long unused harps, and struck up glad peans of praise. If we had occasion to do it then, much more have we now. Gracious outpourings of God's spirit, as manifested in the quickening of his people, the conversion of sinners and in the reformation of drinking men, have characterized the year, as, perhaps, never before. So long as God's promise stands, "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him," shall we ever again allow ourselves to become despondent?

Let us look at the Conferences in their order.

CHESHIRE CONFERENCE.

A church of twenty-eight members has been formed at East Sullivan, which is supplied in connection with the one at Harrisville.

Ministerial Changes. Rev. Rufus Case, pastor at Jaffrey, has been dismissed, and this church is now without regular preaching. The ministry of Mr. Case, in this State, extends over nearly twenty-five years, and they have been years of faithful labor, the good results of which can only be known when the secrets of men are revealed. The little church at Dublin was reported last year as vacant, but it had an acting pastor, Rev. J. F. Bassett, who is still there. Rev. Silvanus Hayward is acting pastor at Gilsum, and Rev. T. S. Robie at Walpole.

Repairs and Improvements. A new meeting-house at Dublin is contemplated, to take the place of the old one, which, by long neglect, has become so dilapidated that it is not thought best to try to repair it. One thousand dollars has been subscribed for this purpose, and a lot purchased. The parsonages at Gilsum and Hinsdale have been slightly repaired, as has the church at the latter place. More extensive repairs have been made to the meeting-houses in Jaffrey, where the inside has been painted, and a new organ purchased; in the first church in Keene, where the galleries have been remodeled, the walls repainted, and rooms constructed for the Sabbath School library and for the pastor, the whole costing $3,000; in Swanzey, where $250 has been expended; and in Westmoreland, where one house has been repainted, and the other furnished with a cabinet organ. A very convenient chapel, with two rooms, which may be thrown together, has been provided in Marlborough, two thirds of the expense of which has been raised. At Rindge, the ladies have procured a piano for their vestry.

Payment of Debts. The debt of $800, upon the parsonage at Fitzwilliam, has been paid without reducing the benevolent contributions of the church.

Benevolence. A decided increase is reported from the churches in Alstead Center and Hinsdale. At Gilsum, though the home expenses have increased nearly threefold, the contributions for outside objects are $50 more than last year. At Westmoreland, the home expenses have been larger than ever before, and their benevolent contributions are three times larger then ever before. At Marlborough, the plan of giving to the Lord every Sabbath, has been adopted, and at Rindge, where the plan has been tried two years, there is increased satisfaction in it.

Sabbath Services and Attendance. An increased attendance is reported from many of the churches, while none speak of diminished numbers. Several have adopted the "one service plan," and others are hoping to have it soon. At Rindge, where this practice was entered upon three years since, the pastor, and others, have used the Sabbath afternoons to preach Christ in the outlying neighborhoods, and blessed results have followed. The 1st church in Keene has its second preaching service at 6.30 P.M., and this is followed by a prayer-meeting.

Revivals. More than half the churches of this Conference have felt the quickening influences of the Holy Spirit; in fact, nearly all have been more or less refreshed. The church in Alstead Center, which had become greatly reduced in strength and numbers, is nearly doubled. The conversions were mostly among the adults. At East Alstead, a quiet work of grace has been enjoyed. Alstead village has long been known as a hard place, and evangelical religion has had to struggle to maintain a foot-hold: now, it has become a power, and there is great hope for the future. The revival at Fitzwilliam, a year ago, has continued through the year, spreading into the outlying neighborhoods, and, as one result, twenty-three have been added to the church.

Harrisville has a "Young Christians' Working Band," embracing, among others, all those who have united with the church during the last four years. It has been of great assistance to the pastor, in sowing the seed and gathering the harvest. At Keene, many have been converted. The services of lay brethren from Massachusetts were highly appreciated, and were followed with the best results. Marlborough has not been passed by, notwithstanding the frequent revivals during the few years past. This proves that a church need not feel, because it has enjoyed a revival, that it cannot expect another for many years. The "Working Band," of young Christians, is recognized by the pastor as efficient in promoting the revival. Many young men have been converted. The number of inquirers at Nelson has been about eighty. The work has reached all parts of the town, and included all ages. Meetings were held in neighborhoods where very few attended Sabbath services, and many of the inhabitants sought and found Christ. Sixty persons at Rindge manifested a desire to become Christians, a good number of whom afterwards expressed a hope.

Roxbury, situated among the rocks and hills, and not enjoying constant preaching, has doubled its membership, though it does not claim a revival. In Stoddard, several have been converted, and a growing interest, during the year, is reported. Eleven have been added to the church. The new church at East Sullivan has been refreshed; twenty persons in this place have decided for Christ. Twelve or more have been hopefully con-

verted at Swanzey, mostly in connection with efforts in Unionville, an outlying village. The condition of things at Westmoreland is very hopeful; about twenty have become Christians, "two thirds of whom are heads of families, and nearly all are in the vigor of life." In Winchester, the pastor says: "Meetings have been sustained in various parts of the town, where, but a little while ago, we should have been faithless of any good." Fifty or more are now indulging newly found hopes in Christ.

Church Work and Sabbath Schools. A "Working Band" has been formed in Gilsum. The pastor at East Sullivan says: "The only organized church work has been a church *all* at work, and all in the Sunday School." Young Men's Christian Associations have been formed in some of the towns. Mission Sabbath Schools are sustained, and religious meetings are held in out-districts, by many of the churches. In consequence of the use of the International Lessons, the giving of more time to its exercises, the exaltation of it to the place of a regular Sabbath service, and especially the outpouring of God's spirit, the Sabbath School interest is rapidly increasing in all parts of this Conference.

Temperance. Reform Clubs have been established in about half of the towns, with most encouraging results. Many hard drinkers have abandoned their cups, and are now found in God's house. The churches, as such, have been closely identified with the work, and in some places the Sabbath Schools, as they should be. These two remarkable reports come from two of the towns: "Reformation here would seem to be a work of supererogation." and, "Not intemperance enough in town to create an interest in temperance."

About half of the churches, reporting revivals, received aid from a visit of the State Young Men's Christian Association, and speak in warmest terms of the quickening received through their earnest labors. Four mention special aid from brethren at Keene. Some of the pastors of stronger churches have rendered efficient aid to the weaker, without diminishing their labors at home. The year has been one of marked personal activity, and the outlook for the future is most hopeful.

The church at Franconia, which was dropped from our list last year, has been taken up, as hopeful features have been developed. It is now supplied by a student. Bethlehem and Shelburne, as last year, are vacant. Rev. Geo. F. Tewksbury has ceased his labors at Gorham, and the church is without a stated supply. Rev. W. S. Bugbey has become acting pastor at West Stewartstown.

Improvements. A parsonage has been erected in Lancaster, at an expense of about $3,000. The debt of $2,000, incurred two years since in remodeling the church at Littleton, has been paid.

Benevolence. Either the "hard times" have not reached this Conference, or it is growing in the grace of *giving*. Last year there was a very decided increase over the previous year; this year there is a gain over last. Colebrook and Lancaster are the churches mainly responsible for it.

Revivals are reported in Dalton and West Stewartstown, both, apparently, commencing with the meetings held by the committee of the Young Men's Christian Association. Twenty-eight have been hopefully converted in Dalton, and twenty-two added to the church by profession, thus nearly doubling its membership. What other church can show as great gain? Among the converts were the town officers and eight school teachers. At West Stewartstown ten have been added to the church by confession.

Temperance. The "tidal wave" of temperance has swept through this Conference with mighty power. Nearly every town has felt its influence. At Dalton the saloon patronage has been absorbed by the meetings of the Reform Club. "The character of Gorham has been completely revolutionized," the rum traffic being entirely broken up by the work.

The pastor and church at Littleton have passed through a severe affliction in the death of the pastor's wife. Her death, though foreseen for months, could not be prevented. Though she has left these earthly scenes, and we are not gladdened by her presence today, as we hoped to be, we fully believe our loss is her gain.

Ministerial Changes. Rev. Edward Cleveland has left Bath, and the church is without a minister: so, also, is the church at Hanover Center, Rev. Daniel McClenning having left. The church in Groton was supplied three months, last summer, by a student. Rev. W. H. Ayers resigned, and has been dismissed from Lebanon, and Rev. John M. Dutton is now pastor.

Repairs, and payment of debts. The parsonages at Danbury and Orford have been painted, and at Danbury and Plymouth conveniences have been added. An organ has been procured for the church at Hanover Center, costing $135; one at West Lebanon, costing $1,800; one at Munroe, towards which $75 has been paid, and one for the vestry in Plymouth, costing $250.

The society at West Lebanon have expended $875 on their church edifice for an organ room; that at Orfordville has placed a furnace in its house; at Orford the church has been repaired, and the grounds about it beautified; and at Wentworth there have been slight repairs. Debts of $300 each have been canceled at Orfordville and Plymouth.

Benevolence. Bristol has adopted a monthly system of giving, which has largely increased their benevolent contributions. In Campton the aim is to have all give to each of the various objects presented, to give regularly, intelligently and from principle. Boxes are passed in the church at the specified time, and it is expected that those who are not prepared to contribute then, will hand their contributions to the treasurer during the week. In Danbury the ladies contribute more to the Cent Society than is received at the general collection in church, which shows the advantage of system over no system. Special efforts have been made at Hanover for the American Board, while there has been no abatement of interest in other causes. In Lyme the children have been more actively engaged in benevolent enterprises than usual. Their Mission Circle has been to them a source of pleasure and profit. May not this always be expected? That would be a defective system of benevolence that fails to enlist the children.

Sabbath Services, Social Meetings, Religious Interest, &c. Bristol reports an increased attendance upon public worship. Del-

egates from the Young Men's Christian Association visited them, and several of the young people have, apparently, been converted. Campton has had an increase of religious interest, and a few have expressed hope. Five were to unite with the church in July. In Danbury the church has been revived, backsliders have returned, and some twenty-five persons have manifested a desire to become Christians. Special revival meetings were continued here for some weeks. The church at Hanover was much quickened during the spring; indeed the interest of last year has hardly declined. Daily half-hour prayer-meetings were held for some weeks. At Hanover Center the Sabbath services have been kept up, though without a pastor. There was an increase of religious interest at Haverhill during the autumn, and seventeen were added to the church on a single Sabbath. A growing spirit of unity is reported from the church in Lebanon. At West Lebanon there was an unusual seriousness on the part of the young, continuing several months. A few were hopefully converted. The pastor and church members in Lyme sustain prayer-meetings in the different districts of the town, besides the regular meetings at home. During the winter a young people's prayer-meeting was kept up with much interest. Orford has but one preaching service on the Sabbath, and gives extra time to the Sunday School, with the result of increasing the attendance upon both. Piermont held a series of meetings with the Methodists during the winter, when there were some twenty or twenty-five hopeful conversions. For four years Plymouth has tried the "one preaching service plan," and has no desire to return to the old custom. This church has committees, composed mostly of ladies, for visiting strangers, looking after the poor, and getting children into the Sabbath School. Encouraging success has attended these efforts. The formation of a church in Munroe was reported last year. It has had a year of financial embarrassment, owing to the burning of a mill upon which most of the community depended for work. It is supplied with preaching in connection with McIndoe's Falls, Vermont. Social meetings are sustained three times a week; one of these attended by the minister, the others conducted by themselves. Special meetings were held in February, resulting

in the hopeful conversion of twenty-eight, some of which were such remarkable cases that the entire community is convinced of the power of the Holy Spirit in changing the life.

Sabbath Schools. In Campton, nearly all the Congregation are connected with the Sabbath School, several of the members being over eighty years of age. This School has an annual "Harvest Festival," the avails of which, this year amounting to over $60, go to the Mission School enterprise of the American Board. The School at Munroe has "grown wonderfully during the year, and is now interesting, well conducted and efficient." Lyme sustains a teacher's meeting, weekly, and, during the summer, three branch schools in out-districts.

Temperance. The work of Reform is going on within the bounds of this Conference, and the liquor traffic is being driven into the corner. The work is carried on through clubs, temperance societies and the Sabbath Schools. In Bristol and Plymouth, many drunkards have been redeemed from their degradation.

Discouragements. This is but a partial list: "decrease of population," "the apathy of the church," "miserable politics, or miserable politicians and worldliness." But there is a brighter side. Another says, "Discouragements, none;" another, "No discouragements, because the Lord reigns and is faithful to his promises."

Many of the churches of this Conference make grateful mention of good results following the meetings held by the Executive Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association..

HILLSBOROUGH CONFERENCE.

The work at South Weare, mentioned last year, has progressed so far that a church of twenty members was formed, which was recognized by a Council February 1st. Besides those uniting by confession, the new church was made up of members of five denominations,—so far had sectarian differences been laid aside. Mr. Palmer, who has been the instrument of this work, was ordained to the ministery by the Council that recognized the church.

Ministerial Changes. The pastors at Francestown, at the Olive St. church in Nashua and at Wilton, Rev. H. F. Campbell, Rev. S. S. Martyn and Rev. D. E. Adams, have been dis-

missed, and these churches are now vacant. Rev. Washington Choate accepted his call to the Franklin St. church in Manchester, and became its pastor September 29th. Acting pastors Rev. W. D. Hart, of Litchfield, Rev. S. H. Keeler, D.D., of Mont Vernon, and Rev. S. D. Clark, of Temple, have left, and these places are supplied by Rev. B. H. Emerson, Rev. W. H. Woodwell and Rev. W. L. S. Clark, respectively. Rev. Harry Brickett has been welcomed back to Hillsborough Bridge, and Rev. John Bragdon has gone to New Boston, both as acting pastors.

Repairs and improvements. Antrim and Goffstown have erected chapels, the former without the contraction of a debt. The chapel in Goffstown contains a Reading-room which is kept open every week-day evening; also rooms for the social purposes of the church. Bennington, Hillsborough Bridge and Peterborough have procured new pulpit furniture. At Brookline the church edifice has been enlarged, remodeled and refurnished, and vestries added, at an expense of $4,000. Besides this, it has received the gift of a new organ and bell, the former a memorial of the late Dea. Geo. W. Peabody, from his wife; the latter a memorial of the late James H. Hall, from his son, all of Brookline. At South Weare, the right of the church to recognition has been evinced, by the erection of a church building, in modern style, which is both beautiful and convenient. It is completely furnished throughout, except upholstering the seats, and no debt rests upon it. Hollis is provided with a parsonage, the gift of a few individuals. At New Boston, the parsonage has been repaired; at Wilton, the grounds about the church have been improved.

Benevolence. Amherst averages $4 per member in contributions to the cause of Christ outside its own parish. This is just about double the average of the state. At Francestown, contributions are made every Sabbath, as an act of worship. At Bedford, the envelope system is in use, with monthly collections. New Boston proposes to have "regular contributions in the future."

Revivals. The reviving influences of the Holy Spirit have been felt to a greater or less extent in Antrim, Bedford, Brookline, Goffstown, Greenville, Hancock, Hollis, Manchester, Ma-

son, Milford, New Boston, New Ipswich, Peterborough and South Weare, and "increased interest," with a few conversions, is reported from several other places. In some of the towns mentioned, the precious work of grace reported last year, continued through the year. Most of them speak of assistance received from the meetings held by the Executive Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association, and in many places the revival commenced with their labors. In Antrim, thirty have been hopefully converted; in Bedford, twenty. In Brookline, eight or ten husbands and fathers have become Christians, most of them those who were thought almost beyond hope, In Hancock, "heads of families and young children" have come to Christ to the number of about sixty; in Hollis between forty and fifty, "elderly people in nearly every case." In Milford, which has enjoyed several revivals since the present pastor began his labors, there has been a rich blessing. Entire harmony prevails between the evangelical churches of the place, and they have labored together in bringing souls to Christ. Ten have been added to the church in New Boston, the first fruits of the revival; seventeen at New Ipswich. In South Weare, where two years since the community seemed content to live without sanctuary privileges, the Holy Spirit has been poured out, and several have become new creatures in Christ, of whom some had been violent opposers of the truth. It would seem that upwards of half the churches in this Conference have had a refreshing from the presence of the Lord.

Organized Church Work. The churches in Bedford, Goffstown, Mont Vernon and Peterborough are reported as being organized for the purpose of aggressive work. In some of the towns mentioned, this work is carried on through the Young Men's Christian Association, and in others, by the church. Doubtless in other places, not named, equal activity in this direction is manifested, but the fact is not reported. In these times, in ordinary cases, it should not be deemed sufficient for one to become a Christian and unite with the church; each should be directed to go into the vineyard, and work in that department it, for which he is best adapted.

Sabbath Schools. Nearly all the churches report increased

interest in the study of the Bible. The number of those which have given up the afternoon preaching service and devote extra time to the Sabbath School, thus exalting it to a *regular service*, is yearly increasing. Is it not a fair inference, that the closer study of God's Word has had much to do in preparing the way for God's converting grace, which has been so signally displayed?

Temperance. Hand in hand with the revivals, has been the temperance reformation. Antrim reports, "No drunkards or dram shops in town;" Mont Vernon and South Weare, "No liquor sold in town." Reform Clubs, or other temperance organizations, have been started in nearly every town, and, besides toning up public sentiment, very many, degraded by strong drink, have been rescued from their bondage.

MERRIMACK CONFERENCE.

Only three churches in this Conference are without the regular preaching of the Word,—Bradford, Epsom and Hill. The church in Hooksett worship with the Methodists, as last year.

Ministerial Changes. Acting pastor, Rev. Lyman White has left Pembroke, and Rev. Edward P. Stone has taken his place. Rev. M. A. Gates has closed his labors at Warner. Franklin has welcomed a pastor, Rev. Austin H. Burr. Rev. William C. Scofield is laboring at Salisbury, and Rev. Frederic T. Perkins at Tilton and Northfield, both as active pastors. Mr. John W. Colwell, who was serving the church at West Concord last year, has been ordained to the ministry, and is still acting pastor of the church. Rev. J. B. Cook, who closed his labors at Salisbury two years since, was dismissed by council May 17th. Rev. Edward Buxton remains the pastor at Webster, though not engaged in its active duties. The church is supplied in connection with Salisbury.

Repairs and Improvements. The first church in Concord have completed their house of worship, one of the finest in the State. It was dedicated without a debt, $21,500 being raised for this purpose during the year. Wilmot has lifted a debt of $600. The church in Tilton has raised $800 for an organ, and recarpeted their house of worship. East Andover and Canterbury have repaired their houses of worship at an expense of $200 to $300. In Salisbury, the church has been repaired and a

debt to the former pastor paid. East Concord has a new pulpit. West Concord reports hopeful progress towards lifting a debt. At Fisherville the meeting-house has been repaired at an expense of about $500. The parsonage has also been thoroughly refitted. The society has received the gift of a bell from Messrs. John and Benjamin Kimball, of Concord. The parsonage at Franklin has been refitted, and the people are moving to have a chapel for social meetings. All these things, taken in connection with the fact that the contributions of the Conference are but slightly reduced from last year, are a very pleasant exhibit for this year of "hard times," and indicate that Christian people are more than ever realizing God's right to their property.

Revivals. No detailed statement from the churches has been received from the Secretary of this Conference, Rev. S. L. Blake. In his report at the annual meeting in Boscawen, he says: "Notwithstanding the remarkable religious awakening which gladdened our hearts a year ago, and of which such gratifying reports were made last year, this year we are able to report greater gains, and the outlook is even more cheering. Some of the churches which did not then report revivals, come to our annual feast with full hearts, to tell us what glad things God has done for them. It is a fact worthy of especial note, that, although an evangelist was employed by some of our churches last year, this year a gratifying gain has been made by the employment of the ordinary means of grace. One pastor writes, 'he began this year in a revival, and ends it with the good work still progressing.' 'We have made an effort to reach the masses with the gospel, and have succeeded. A large number of those who formerly did not attend worship, are now regular attendants. We believe there have been over sixty hopeful conversions.' Another pastor writes: 'A revival of great power has visited us. Thirty-six have united with the church, twenty-nine of these by profession. The interest commenced with the Week of Prayer, continuing through the winter and spring. The ordinary means of grace were employed. An extra prayer-meeting, together with an inquiry meeting, was held weekly. There was no outside help. The work, though powerful, was quiet and deep. Heads of families, young men and young

ladies, are now living for Christ.' Several other churches make grateful mention of precious visitations from on high. In nearly all cases where religious interest has been enjoyed, the labors of the Young Men's Christian Association have been mentioned among the foremost agencies employed by the Spirit of God. The Reform movement has taken strong hold all over the county, and gives signs that it is of God. In Concord alone more than two thousand names are on the pledge,—a large number reformed men."

Sabbath Schools. "Increasing interest in the study of the Bible is reported from most of the schools, as a result of the use of the International Lessons. Special interest in Bible study was awakened in Dunbarton, by the meeting of the Kearsarge Bible Society in that place, in the autumn. Very many of the schools report a large percentage of the Sabbath congregation as connected with the Sabbath School. This is especially true in Dunbarton, West Concord, Fisherville, Hopkinton and Webster. Benevolent contributions are taken up in several of the schools. The school at Fisherville supports a missionary teacher in India. The children in Henniker have an annual Fair, where they dispose of the fruits of the earth which they have raised themselves, the proceeds being devoted to benevolent objects."

ROCKINGHAM CONFERENCE.

Ministerial Changes. Rev. W. C. Martyn has been dismissed from Portsmouth, and Rev. E. W. Bullard from Hampstead. Rev. Albert Watson is now pastor at the latter place. Acting pastors Rev. E. G. Stone, of Newcastle, Rev. Franklin Davis, of Newington, Rev. W. A. Patten, of Raymond, Rev. G. H. Pratt, of Seabrook and Hampton Falls, have left. The place of Mr. Stone is filled by Rev. B. F. Grant, that of Mr. Davis by Mr. Willis A. Hadley, a licentiate; that of Mr. Pratt by Rev. Frank Haley. Rev. C. T. Melvin has become acting pastor at Atkinson; Rev. Lyman White, at Deerfield; Rev. John S. Batchelder, at Hampton (he began his labors here in April, 1875, but the fact was not reported last year), and Rev. David Bremner at Plaistow.

Repairs and Improvements. Deerfield has a new bell, presented by Joseph Brown, M.D., a member of the church, and the

house of worship has been repaired at the expense of $300. The church in Epping has been moved, enlarged, raised up to admit a chapel under it, and other improvements made, to the amount of $5,700. The meeting-houses in Hampton and Newington have been repainted, and the parsonage repaired at Kingston.

A thousand dollars has been lifted from the debt of the church at South Seabrook, chiefly by the generosity of neighboring churches. Only a small sum is now unpaid, but the house is not yet finished. The parsonage at South Newmarket has been repaired. This church has received a legacy of between $8,000 and $9,000 from Mrs. Mary Burleigh. It is not yet available, however. The debt for repairing the church at Windham has been reduced by $200.

Benevolence. In Candia the envelope system has been adopted, resulting in a large increase. In Derry the children have taken a deep interest in the mission work. One or two of the members of the church in Greenland give a tenth of their income to the Lord, and the pastor is urging it upon the others.

Sabbath Services. Atkinson reports a larger attendance in the afternoon than in the morning; at Derry the attendance is "very large and very constant." An increase of worshipers gladdens the pastor's hearts in very many of the churches.

Social Meetings. A spirit of prayer and supplication has been poured out upon very many of these churches, and the prayer-meetings have been more largely attended in consequence. In Candia the Sabbath evening meetings are prefaced by a half-hour of praise. In Hampstead, Bible readings have been introduced with profit. At Kingston the attendance has been doubled, although there has been no general revival. At North Hampton, a year ago, if thirty were present it was regarded as a large prayer-meeting; now one hundred and fifty are often there. Then, the pastor was compelled to occupy most of the time; now there are many to help. Seabrook and Hampton Falls sustain a prayer-meeting for young converts, and the social meetings of the church are "a feature of marked interest."

Revivals. This Conference, like some of the others, has experienced a wonderful refreshing from the presence of the Lord. No less than twelve of the churches have been visited with re-

vivals, in some of which there have been large ingatherings. Other churches have been quickened, and some conversions have followed, so that we can say that one half the churches of Rockingham Conference have been spiritually refreshed. It would be pleasant to speak of each one separately, but the story in many cases is very similar. The towns more largely blessed are Candia, Chester, Derry, East Derry, Hampstead, Hampton, Newcastle, North Hampton, Plaistow, Portsmouth, Rye, South Seabrook, Stratham and Windham. In Atkinson, Kingston, Newington, Seabrook and Hampton Falls, there have been several conversions. In Candia, over forty have entered upon the Christian life; in Derry, twenty. In Chester, where the work was carried on in union with the Baptist church, between forty and fifty have united with the two churches; in Plaistow, fifty-one have joined the church, nearly doubling it. The report from Hampstead was prepared in the midst of the work. In the two weeks previous, seventy had expressed a desire to find the Saviour. Hampton has not been so much refreshed for years. A young people's prayer-meeting, composed mostly of new converts, attended by forty or fifty every week, is still kept up. From North Hampton the pastor writes, "one hundred and forty, perhaps more, declared their purpose to live a new life in Christ." "Nearly every resident member of the church was awakened to a good degree of activity, some appearing more like young converts than old professors." "Aside from the small children, with the exception of about fifty, all the usual Sabbath congregation have professed a love for Christ." A quiet work of grace has been going on in Rye for two years, but in January the interest became more decided, so that over sixty have expressed a hope. The church in Stratham has been blessed with a revival, with about twenty-five conversions. A woman's prayer-meeting was started during the revival, and is still kept up. In Windham, "over sixty gave evidence of being savingly blessed," and "a great change has been produced in the community."

Nearly all these churches speak of the help received from the labors of the Young Men's Christian Association. Many of the pastors say, in effect, "Their work seemed to be the very thing needed."

Organized Church Work. The ladies of the church in Portsmouth are diligently employed, in the winter, in making up clothing for missionary families. They also have an Education Society, which raises $100, annually, for a scholarship at Dartmouth. A children's society was formed here in 1817, and has been kept up until the present time, whose object it is to educate an interest in Foreign Missions. It is believed to be the oldest auxiliary of the American Board.

Sabbath Schools. Some of the pastors complain of the want of more time to make the Sabbath School what it should be. Nearly all, however, report an increased interest, and this is especially true where there have been revivals. A mission school is supported by the churches in Epping and Portsmouth. In Kensington, nine tenths of the congregation are members of the school. Newmarket celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of its school in May.

Temperance. The interest that has pervaded other parts of the State, has been felt here. In most of the towns Reform Clubs have been established, and progress made. No liquor is known to be sold in Atkinson and Stratham.

STRAFFORD CONFERENCE.

From ten of its churches no report has been received. Several of them have been, for years, in a moribund condition, and seem to need only the action of some responsible party to pronounce them dead, to strike their names from our list.

Ministerial Changes. The place of Rev. Frank Haley, acting pastor of the Belknap Church, Dover, has been taken by Rev. I. P. Smith. The resignation of Rev. E. H. Titus, at Farmington in 1874, was not acted upon until last March; Rev. Paul H. Pitkin continues acting pastor. Rev. E. P. Eastman became acting pastor at Ossipee Centre, Jan. 1st, and Rev. Geo. O. Jenness at Wakefield, in June, 1875. Rev. A. J. Quick, acting pastor at Rochester since Oct. 1st, is called to the pastorate. Rev. J. G. Wilson closed his labors at Tamworth in the autumn, and this church is now vacant. The resignation of Rev R. B. Hall, at Wolfeboro', was accepted in December, and Rev. Geo. H. Tilton is now acting pastor. Rev. C. L. Tappan, of Sandwich, has preached at North Sandwich on Sabbath afternoons

for a portion of the year, the first regular Congregational preaching the church has enjoyed for seven years. He has also preached a portion of the year at Moultonboro'.

Repairs, Improvements, &c. At Alton, $250 has been expended upon the church; at Rochester, $500, beside repairs upon the parsonage to the amount of $100; at Sanbornton, the church has been frescoed and the pews painted. A parsonage has been completed at Ossipee Centre. At Laconia, funds have been raised to place a clock upon the spire of the church. At Lee, an organ has been procured. At Farmington, an elegant brick church, in modern Gothic style, has been erected in place of the one burned last year. The insurance upon the old edifice simply paid the debt upon it. The Society was determined that the new house should be dedicated without a debt, and, by the most strenuous and self-sacrificing exertions, it was accomplished. Much credit is due "the twelve apostles" who assumed the responsibility of meeting the deficit, after all subscriptions possible had been obtained.

Payment of Debts. At Alton, $120 has been paid toward its debt; and at Laconia, a part of the indebtedness, incurred in remodeling the church some years since, has been lifted. In Conway, an effort to provide for its obligations was but partially successful, but it had the effect of bringing the people together into closer sympathy.

Benevolence. At Conway and Dover, First church, the contributions are reported larger than ever; at Wolfeboro' they have been doubled. At Sanbornton, the question was raised whether the church was not doing too much for outside charities, but after a full discussion it was decided in the negative. Important legacies for religious purposes have been left by members of the First church in Dover, and the church in Meredith.

Sabbath Services. The attendance upon divine worship has increased in many of the towns; in none is it reported less. In Lee, every available seat in the church is occupied on ordinary Sabbaths.

Revivals are reported in only three churches: Barnstead Parade, Great Falls and Wolfeboro'. The pastor at the former place says, "No year of my ministry here has been more inter-

esting. We have been constantly losing by death and removal, but this year, we have been cheered by the voice of the convert, whom we may hold for a little while, and then surrender to others. So far we have had six very valuable additions to our church, and more, it is hoped, will soon follow." At Great Falls, the interest commenced very soon after tne Week of Prayer. Up to the time when the report was made out, hardly a Sabbath evening had passed without a manifestation of a desire, on the part of some new ones, to become followers of Christ. Forty united with the church by profession in May, the largest number ever added at one time. More were expected to join in July. The meetings were sustained by the pastor, without any outside help. At Wolfeboro', there have been thirty hopeful conversions, fifteen of whom were received to the church in May. The church is now in a very prosperous condition. Besides these revivals, increased interest has been manifested at Gilmanton Iron Works; at Laconia, where the woman's prayer-meeting is regarded as a power; at Rochester, where ten have been added to the church; at Sanbornton; and at Wakefield, where fifteen have been received to the church, a part of them having hoped they were Christians for years. A few conversions are reported at Alton and at Gilmanton Center. At Alton, many new ones are disposed to help in sustaining the Gospel. The pastor at Lee says "the whole community seem to be converted in their apprehensions of the need of religion," and he "looks for its culmination in Christian profession in due time."

Organized Church Work. In Sanbornton social meetings have been sustained by the brethren in out-neighborhoods, in two directions, throughout the year; and the young people sustain a meeting of their own once a week.

Sabbath Schools. Nearly every church is rejoicing in increased interest in the study of the Word. In Barnstead and Ossipee Center, most of the congregation attend the Sabbath School: the school at Rochester has doubled. At Laconia, the pastor has charge of a large adult class, and at Wakefield, the pastor's wife has been superintendent of a Mission School.

Temperance. The good work at Dover, reported last year, has

gone on with unabated interest, and has extended in all directions, until the fountains of evil are being dried up. So wonderful has been the work in some of the towns that we can but exclaim, "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes."

SULLIVAN CONFERENCE.

Ministerial Changes. Mr. H. W. L. Thurston, who, as a licentiate, was supplying at Goshen last year, was ordained August 25, 1875, and continues his work as acting pastor. Rev. L. A. Austin, the former Principal of Kimball Union Academy, at Meriden, is supplying at Plainfield. Rev. G. W. Kinne resigned his charge and was dismissed from Charlestown in April.

Repairs and Improvements. The parsonage at Acworth has been repaired, and one is to be erected in Newport.

Payment of Debts. Small debts at Acworth and Washington have been lifted, also one at Meriden of $600.

Sabbath Services. The second preaching service has been abandoned at Meriden, and increased time given the Sabbath School, the students in the Academy now joining with the citizens in the latter. Increased audiences are reported from several of the towns.

Religious Interest. No revival is reported from this Conference; but at Acworth, Goshen, Langdon, Lempster, Meriden and Newport there has been increased interest, largely awakened in most of these places, by the visit of the Young Men's Christian Association. In Newport there have been several conversions.

Temperance. Nothing of special interest has been reported; but, unofficially, your Secretary has learned that a great work has been accomplished in Claremont. Very many inebriates have been reclaimed, some of whom have become Christians.

Discouragements. No other Conference reports so many disheartening features. Profanity, Sabbath breaking, cider drinking, and above all, *indifference* on the part of those out of the church and in it, seem to be working their legitimate results. And yet, there is a spirit of hopefulness manifested that betokens good for the future. The little church at Croyden is almost

extinct, and yet has life enough to make a fuller report than many larger ones. Its reporter is one of the youngest members, and he has reached his three-score years and ten.

It will have appeared that the past year has been one of signal displays of the mighty power of God. These have not been confined to a single locality: from nearly all the Conferences, the joyful tidings have come, that sinners have been born into the kingdom of God. There have been over thirteen hundred additions to our churches by confession; a gain of nine hundred over losses by death. If we subtract the total removals from the total additions, we find that our churches are stronger by nine hundred thirty-three members, than one year ago. But this does not represent all the results of the revivals. Perhaps as many more have united with other Christian churches, besides others that will unite with us and with them, at a future date. Christians have been brought nearer to Christ, and the work of grace, in their hearts, deepened. Backsliders have returned from their wanderings. Many have been led to believe in the reality and power of religion, who, formerly, disbelieved. Never before, perhaps, has there been so much activity and earnestness on the part of God's people; never, before, have private Christians labored so faithfully in the Master's vineyard. Is it not a pertinent inquiry, whether there is not a close connection between this lay activity and the revivals?

The year has been remarkable in that no one of our ministers, in the active duties of his profession, has been removed by death. Only two, Messrs. Duncan and McGee, who have ever served our churches and still resided in the State, have died. Two others, Messrs. Eldredge and Riddel, temporarily absent, have gone to their reward.

Two churches have been organized, and three church edifices completed. Very much has been done in the way of repairing or improving our houses of worship. Though the reported benevolence is about thirty-eight hundred dollars less than last year, when we consider how many of the middle and poorer classes, from whom most of our contributions come, have suffered from the dullness of the times, we have reason to rejoice that it has fallen no lower.

The wisdom of worshiping God a part of each Sabbath, by the social study of his Word, is conceded every year by more churches, to be as acceptable worship as the listening to a second sermon. Many are realizing that system is of as much importance in religious effort, as in a workshop, and so they are organizing for work. The conscience of the people, in matters pertaining to temperance, has been quickened; and hundreds of drunkards have turned from their degradation.

We look with amazement at the progress of the arts and sciences during the last century. Is it not true that equal progress has been made in the state of religion? We bewail, sometimes, the degeneracy of the present day; but, if we could be made acquainted with all the facts pertaining to our churches, one hundred years ago, we should be astonished at what God has wrought. In some particulars, doubtless, our fathers were more strict than their children of this generation; in others, they were far less strict. The intemperate use of strong drink, by ministers, was not uncommon; some of the churches were served by pastors who had no knowledge of experimental religion. Missionary enterprises were hardly thought of. Bribery was unblushingly practiced, as is shown by a late article in *The Congregationalist*, from the pen of Mr. C. C. Coffin. In proportion to the opportunities, speculation and fraud, by government officials, were far more common than now, as is proved from a table recently prepared and published by the United States Treasury Department. The great benevolent enterprises of the day have all come into being during the century. Slavery has died. Intemperance is on the wane. The claims of personal religion are pressed by the pews, as well as the pulpit. If the Bible is not read so much by the common people, there is more reading of religious truth. The highways and hedges are being searched, and the outcast and wanderer invited to return to their Father's home.

In view of all that God has done for us, during the last year and the last century, shall we not prostrate ourselves before Him, and say, "Not unto us, not unto us, but unto Thy name, be all the glory, and all the power."

SAMUEL L. GEROULD, *Statistical Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE MINISTERS' AND WIDOWS' FUND.

The Trustees of the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund would hereby report to the General Association of New-Hampshire, that their annual meeting was held in Concord, June 7, 1876.

The Treasurer's reports were read and adopted, and the following persons were elected officers for the ensuing year: namely,

Rev. N. Bouton, D.D., *President.*
Rev. W. R. Jewett, *Secretary.*
Shadrach Seavey, *Treasurer.*

The President, Secretary and Treasurer constitute the Prudential Committee.

Asa McFarland, } *Auditors.*
L. D. Stevens, }

At a meeting of the Prudential Committee, held after the adjournment of the Trustees, it was voted to appropriate the sum of $210 to the widows assisted by the Fund; and the sum of $260 to four aged clergymen, in indigent circumstances.

The only expenses incurred during the past year, were:

Treasurer, postage and stamps,	$1.25

The donations have been as follows:

WIDOW'S CHARITABLE FUND.

Gilsum—Congregational Church and Society,	$4.50
Rindge— " " "	8.66
Swanzey— " " "	6.50
Mrs. E. F. Bridge,	1.00
Sum Total,	$20.66

MINISTERS' AND WIDOWS' FUND.

Chester—Congregational Church and Society,	$7.50
Concord—South " " "	56.68
Concord—First " " "	11.82
Gilmanton Center— " " "	3.00
Goffstown— " " "	15.00
Greenland—First " " "	18.60
Henniker— " " "	25.75
Keene—First " " "	30.24
Laconia— " " "	14.30
Lancaster— " " "	15.00
Littleton— " " "	16.40
Mason Center— " " "	4.50
Winchester— " " "	3.00
General Association,	78.26
Mrs. J. K. Wiggin, Boston,	5.00
Legacy from Mrs. Mary Brown, Deerfield,	100.00
Memorial Members,	110.00
Sum Total,	$513.05

By request, a complete list of those constituted Memorial Members, since the plan was adopted, is here given:

Amherst—Rev. Wm. Clark, D.D.
" Mrs. Mary C. Clark.
Atkinson—Col. and Mrs. William Page, by their son, Rev. Jesse Page.
Bangor, Me.—Mrs. Mehitable S. Coe, by her son, Eben S. Coe.
Boscawen—Mrs. John Greenough.
Center Harbor—Mrs. Susan S. Moulton.
Chester—Mrs. John W. Noyes.
Claremont—Rev. Christopher Marsh, by his daughter.
" Mrs. E. L. Goddard.
Concord—Mrs. N. S. Batchelder.
" Clara D. Berry, a thank offering.
" Rev. S. L. Blake.
" Mrs. Isabel M. Blake.
" Mrs. N. Bouton.
" Mrs. Richard Herbert, by her daughter, Mary C. Herbert.
" Mrs. Calvin Howe.
" Rev. W. R. Jewett.
" Mrs. W. R. Jewett.
" Mrs. Juliana P. Lang.
" Asa McFarland, Esq.,
" Mrs. Asa McFarland.
" Mrs. Hazen Pickering.
" Mrs. Belinda Seavey.
" Mrs. Benj. P. Stone.
" Mrs. Charlotte H. Woolson, by her daughter, Charlotte A. Woolson.
Fall River, Mass.—A friend.
Greenland—A widow's offering.
Hanover—Mrs. Anna P. Emerson.
" Mrs. S. P. Leeds.
" Mrs. Henry E. Parker.
" Pres. Asa D. Smith.
" Mrs. Asa D. Smith.

Haverhill, Mass.—Mrs. Moses Kimball.
Hollis—Ralph W. Jewett, by Rev. W. R. Jewett.
Janesville, O.—A daughter of New-Hampshire.
Keene—Rev. Artemas Boies and Mrs. Susan L. Boies, by their daughter, Miss Lauretta Boies..
Laconia—Rev. John K. Young, D.D., by Congregational Church and Society.
Loudon—Mrs. Hannah Stevens.
Milford—Rev. John M. Ellis, by Mrs. Josephine M. Ellis.
Newton, Mass.—D. B. Jewett, Esq., } by Miss E. C. Jewett.
" " Mrs. D. B. Jewett, }
" " Rev. John Whitney, }
" " Mrs. John Whitney, }
" " Miss E. C. Jewett, by her brother.
New York—Rev. W. J. Tucker, D.D., by his father.
North Hampton—Rev. Jonathan French, by his children.
Pelham—Rev. J. H. Church, D.D.
Pembroke—Rev. Lyman White.
Plainfield—Tenney K. Gage.
" Rev. Jocob Scales.
Plymouth—Edward J. Tucker, by his father.
" Rev. Jonathan Ward, by Mrs. Arthur Ward.
Raynham, Mass.—Miss Ella L. Maun, by her father.
Rockport, Mass.—Rev. David Jewett, } by their son.
" " Mrs. David Jewett, }
Sanbornton—Mrs. Fannie M. Runnels.
South Newmarket—Mrs. Joseph Bartlett.
Westmoreland—Mrs. Mary E. W. Cole.
" " Mrs. Betsey Shaw.

One aged clergyman, a beneficiary of this fund, long a pastor in this State, distinguished both for piety and ability, has deceased; having nearly completed his eighty-sixth year. Two others, well stricken in years, have been received.

It will be noticed that the contributions from the churches the past year, have been few and small. We regret that this cause has not a stronger hold upon the minds of the ministers and churches in the State. It is not so in some other States.

The churches in Connecticut, a few years since, formed a Society similar to ours. The amount of the donations received by them, has greatly exceeded that of ours, averaging about three thousand five hundred dollars per annum, while the amount bestowed upon aged, indigent clergymen, or the widows of such, has been nearly the same.

We hope that the churches, during the coming year, will remember us more liberally than they have.

W. R. JEWETT, *Secretary.*

Concord, Sept., 1876.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

General Association of New-Hampshire, in account with S. L. GEROULD, *Treasurer.*

						CR.
Sept. 1, 1875.	By balance from last year,					$373.50
Jan. 19, 1876.	By cash from Coos Conference, assessment of last year,					8.00
June 14, "	By cash from Hillsboro' Conference,					85.00
June 16, "	"	"	Merrimack	"		43.00
June 19, "	"	"	Rockingham	"		50.00
July 8, "	"	"	Sullivan	"		16.00
July 14, "	"	"	Cheshire	"		36.00
Aug. 16, "	"	"	Coos	"		7.00
Sept. 1, "	"	"	Strafford	"		32.00
Sept. 7, "	"	"	Grafton	"		31.00
						$681.50

					DR.
Sept. 19, 1875.	To cash paid, expenses in attending Gen. Asso.,				$3.75
Nov. 10, "	"	"	R. W. Musgrove, printing and distributing Minutes,		212.28
Feb. 21, 1876.	"	"	Printing circulars,		10.80
Mar. 16, "	"	"	Ruling blanks,		.65
Sept. 1, "	"	"	Postage, stationery and express,		15.45
Sept. 11, "	"	"	F. D. Ayer, postage and express,		3.95
	Balance now in Treasury,				434.62
					$681.50

LITTLETON, N. H., Sept. 12, 1876.

This certifies that I have examined the account of Rev. S. L. Gerould, Treasurer of the General Association, and find the same correct and properly vouched for, and that there remains in the Treasury a balance of four hundred thirty-four dollars, and sixty-two cents.

JOHN W. NOYES, *Auditor Pro Tem.*

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

THE STATISTICAL YEAR ENDS MAY 31.

I. CHESHIRE CONFERENCE.

J. L. MERRILL, *Statistical Secretary.*

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1, '76.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.		Sab.Sch.	
Place and Name.	Org	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Tot.	Av.
Alstead Centre, 1st,	1778	Gilbert B. Richardson	June 30, 1857	*A.p.*Apr. 8, 1874	17	30	47	6	14	5	19	0	1	0	1	6	0	70	50
" East, 2nd,	1788	Gilbert B. Richardson	June 30, 1857	*A.p.*Apr. 8, 1874	35	53	88	25	7	2	9	5	1	1	7	5	0	95	55
" 3rd,	1842	George F. Chapin,*	April 15,1866	*A.p.*Apr, 1, 1873	9	29	38	3	10	3	13	2	1	0	3	6	1	90	47
Chesterfield,	1771				3	6	9	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Dublin, Trin. Cong.	1827				7	7	14	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	25	20
Fitzwilliam,	1771	John Colby,	Oct. 31, 1855	*A.p.*May 4, 1873	41	105	146	17	23	2	25	1	1	0	2	12	0	174	90
Gilsum,	1772	Silvanus Hayward,	Oct. 9, 1861	*A.p.*Sept. 1, 1875	16	40	56	7	5	11	16	1	1	0	2	2	0	140	75
Harrisville,	1840	Amos Holbrook,	May 9, 1866	*A.p.*Nov.17,1871	16	57	73	15	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0	140	65
Hinsdale,	1763	Charles C. Watson,	July 2, 1867	Dec. 13,1871	42	124	166	18	1	0	1	3	0	0	3	1	1	271	157
Jaffrey,	1780				28	61	89	22	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	0	113	76
" East,	1850	William H. Dowden,	Nov. 5, 1863	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1875	21	71	92	7	21	2	23	1	1	0	2	5	0	125	92
Keene, 1st,	1738	Cyrus Richardson,	Sept. 30, 1869	July 10, 1873	73	220	293	48	16	9	25	6	2	0	8	12	4	450	227
" 2nd,	1807	Joseph A. Leach,	Feb. 23, 1864	Sept. 5, 1869	94	192	286	43	12	3	15	8	4	0	12	8	7	303	189
Marlborough,	1778	John L. Merrill	Oct. 31, 1860	May 2, 1871	67	133	200	18	16	1	17	4	4	0	8	12	3	245	131
Nelson,	1781	Mark Gould,	Oct. 8, 1851	*A.p.*Oct., 1872	29	49	78	20	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	95	50
Rindge,	1765	Frank G. Clark,	Sept. 2. 1869	June 3, 1873	57	121	178	24	4	8	12	3	16	0	19	3	0	274	126
Roxbury,	1816				5	18	23	7	11	0	11	0	0	0	0	10	0	53	35
Stoddard,	1787	Henry H. Colburn,†	May 19, 1869	*A.p.*Apr. 16,1873	9	41	50	16	7	4	11	3	0	0	3	7	0	55	33
Sullivan,	1792	Samuel S. Drake,	Oct. 15, 1834	*A.p.*June 20,1873	29	43	72	13	0	0	0	1	10	0	11	0	5	70	40
" East,	1876	Amos Holbrook,	May 9, 1866	*A.p.*Oct. 17,1875	12	16	28	0	5	23	28	0	0	0	0	5	0	75	45
Surry,	1769				1	8	9	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Swanzey,	1741	E. Irvin Carpenter,	Dec. 13, 1842	*A.p.*Mar. 1, 1874	31	46	77	10	7	0	7	1	0	0	1	6	0	178	97
Troy,	1815	Levi Brigham,	Mar. 15, 1837	May 4, 1870	34	69	103	12	9	3	12	1	6	0	7	5	0	190	91
Walpole,	1761				20	68	88	11	3	5	8	4	4	6	14	1	0	193	106
Westmoreland,	1764	Charles N. Flanders,	Dec. 29, 1874	Dec. 29,1874	34	72	106	22	15	7	22	1	2	0	3	10	0	180	90
Winchester,	1736	Elijah Harmon,	Oct. 17, 1867	Oct. 17, 1867	67	119	186	28	18	5	23	5	5	0	10	15	3	228	116
					797	1798	2595	404	205	93	298	56	66	7	129	131	27	3832	2103

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 8; with Acting Pastors, 12; Vacant, 6; Total, 26. Church formed at East Sullivan.

*Also A. P. Langdon, Sullivan Conference. †Also A. P. Washington, Sullivan Conference.

CHESHIRE CONFERENCE.—*Continued.*

Churches.	Amount contributed during the year ending May 31, 1876.								Parish Expenses.	Value Parsonages.	Families in Congregation.
	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Asso.	Cong. Union.	Col. & Ed. Society.	Cong. Pub. Society.	All other outside obj's	Total Foregoing			
Alstead Center, 1st,	$20.60	$23.00	$4.13			$10.00		$47.73	275.00	1,000	30
" East, 2nd,	28.65	20.00	5.63					64.28	300.00	800	44
" 3rd,	30.75	31.00					$13.00	74.75	630.00	None.	45
Chesterfield,								0.00	0.00	None.	0
Dublin,							2.30	2.30	523.30	700	12
Fitzwilliam,	163.70	32.00	23.50				48.00	287.20	2111.24	4,000	102
Gilsum,	49.00	43.00	11.50	$11.00	$2.00		24.00	140.50	1050.00	1,200	75
Harrisville,	7.50	33.55					1.00	42.05	1002.57	1,000	60
Hinsdale,	45.00	47.63	35.00		5.00		57.55	190.18	1366.92	3,000	85
Jaffrey,	17.50	23.15	10.19				47.16	98.00	600.00	None.	45
" East,								0.00	4000.00	None.	57
Keene, 1st,	1376.00	1432.00	153.00				210.00	3171.00	3800.00	None.	230
" 2nd,	189.36	105.36	160.00	100.00	20.56		129.00	704.28	2924.36	None.	120
Marlborough,	73.77	48.02					36.28	158.07	1830.00	2,000	112
Nelson,	22.00	20 00	4.00				17.00	63.00	700.00	600	38
Rindge,	67.47	86.97	26.98	8.49	8.49	8.49	63.98	270.87	1712.53	1,000	161
Roxbury,		6.51						6.51	204.00	150	15
Stoddard,								0.00	200.00	400	50
Sullivan,	25.00	10.00	5.00				5.00	45.00	1050.00	1,200	36
" East,								0.00	492.00	None.	42
Surry,								0.00	0.00	None.	10
Swanzey,	66.60	8.86	30.54					106.00	950.00	250	35
Troy,	160.53	31.46	23.51				40.00	255.50	1852 00	1,500	59
Walpole,	92.00	78.41					21.47	191.88	1150.00	None.	73
Westmoreland,	80.00	23.15	23.82				16.43	143.40	1473.75	1,000	85
Winchester,	44.21	111.87	13.75	5.94	22.68		35.15	233.50	1150.00	3.500	91
	2559.64	2215.94	530.55	125.43	58.73	18.49	767.32	6276.00	31437.67	23.300	1,712

II. COOS [AND ESSEX, VT.] CONFERENCE.

ALBERT E. HALL, *Statistical Secretary.*

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1,'76.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.		Sab.Sch.	
Place and Name.	Org	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Tot.	Av.
Bethlehem,	1802				*5	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chath'm(&StoweMe)	1861	[J. Henry Leavitt,	Licentiate.]	*A.p.* 1875	15	26	41	10	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	43	20
Colebrook,	1802				26	58	84	13	7	1	8	1	2	0	3	2	0	75	50
Dalton,	1816	[Albert E. Hall,	Licentiate.]	*A.p.*Apr., 1874	14	34	48	6	22	0	22	1	1	0	2	16	1	125	84
Franconia,	1814				4	7	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	30
Gorham,	1862	Arthur J. Benedict,	May 25, 1875	*A.p.*June 1, 1876	5	25	30	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	40
Lancaster,	1794	Chas. E. Harrington,	Oct. 27, 1874	Oct. 27, 1874	50	113	163	27	14	3	17	2	2	0	4	8	0	190	130
Littleton,	1803	Chas. E. Milliken,	Sept. 28,1860	Sept.28,1860	50	131	181	26	4	5	9	7	3	0	10	3	0	175	110
Shelburne,	1818				0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	15
Stewartstown,West,	1846	William S. Bugbey,	Oct. 22, 1875	*A.p.* Oct. 22,1875	10	29	39	1	10	0	10	4	1	0	5	9	0	85	65
					179	431	610	90	58	9	67	16	9	0	25	39	1	813	544

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 2; with Acting Pastors, 4; Vacant, 4; Total, 10. Taken up from dropped last year, Franconia.

*Last year's report.

HILLSBOROUGH CONFERENCE.—*Continued.*

Churches.	Amount contributed during the year ending May 31, 1876.								Parish Expenses.	Value Parsonages.	Families in Congregation.
	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Asso.	Cong. Union.	Col. & Ed. Society.	Cong. Pub. Society.	All other outside objs.	Total Foregoing.			
Amherst,	$306.80	$90.07	$106.25	$103.00	$29.50		$364.85	$1000.47	$1550.00	None.	150
Antrim, *Pres.*,	20.00	10.00	43.00				234.71	307.71	1300.00	None.	136
Bedford, *Pres.*,	121.40	48.90	12.45		12.09		111.90	306.74	1500.00	$3250	174
Bennington,	43.45	16.00	70.00		10.00	$5.00	43.72	188.17	550.00	None.	57
Brookline,	35.00	28.31					20.00	83.31	1000.00	2000	96
Deering,								0.00	0.00	250	20
Francestown,	48.50	14.38	3.00					65.88	1200.00	None.	150
Goffstown,	67.00	73.55	45.60	9.00	16.65	14.80	70.75	306.35	2916.00	3000	212
Greenfield,	50.00	20.00	8.00					78.00	725.00	None.	106
Greenville,	100.00	100.00					20.00	220.00	850.00	2500	70
Hancock?	25.00	14.52	30.53				53.97	124.02	975.00	None.	100
Hillsboro' Center,	10.00	5.00	10.00					25.00	550.00	None.	33
Hillsboro' Bridge,		10.00					9.50	19.50	1200.00	None.	80
Hollis,	72.00	89.38	18.00				50.00	232.38	2000.00	2000	175
Hudson,								0.00	0.00	None.	
Litchfield, *Pres.*,	19.25	14.38					2.50	36.13	1200.00	1000	15
Lyndeborough,							5.00	5.00	600.00	1000	60
Manchester, First,	495.28	267.07	105.78	72.40			815.85	1756.38	4588.71	None.	278
" Franklin St.	187.71	300.00	9.41	93.00			788.06	1378.18	4700.00	None.	320
Mason,	68 50	19.50	9.00		5.00		11.75	113.75	950.00	1600	52
Merrimack, First,	16.00	58.00	22.00					96.00	1200.00	1000	105
Merrimack, South,		6.00	5.00					11.00	0.00	None.	12
Milford,	101.50	177.04	89.97				60.21	428.72	2276.93	None.	150
Mont Vernon,	54.00	27.67	11.00				17.50	110.17	800.00	2000	88
Nashua, First,	402.66	341.46	54.80		100.00		934.80	1833.72	4049.34		186
" Olive St.,	71.61	102.05	40.59	15.65			25.00	254.90	2800.00	5000	130
" Pearl St.,	212.04	66.86	66.45				110.00	455.35	5581.45	None.	250
New Boston, *Pres.*,	77.00	35.00					24.40	136.40	981.00	2000	115
New Ipswich,	45.37	55.29	93.33	3.28	8.64	3.75	88.29	297.95	1300.00	2000	100
Pelham,	148.40	246.25	41.35				30.25	466.25	1000.00	2500	80
Peterborough,	36.50	73.00	35.00				25.00	169.50	1400.00	None.	100
Temple,	17.00	5.60	59.62	1.00	2.00		9.14	94.36	944.00	1400	45
Weare, South,							8.50	8.50	800.00	None.	75
Wilton,	65.50	29.07	22.25		34.15		44.50	195.47	1300.00	None.	100
	$2920.47	$2344.35	$1012.38	$297.33	$218.03	$23.55	$3989.15	$10805.26	$52787.43	32500	3820

V. MERRIMACK CONFERENCE.

S. L. BLAKE, *Statistical Secretary.*

Churches.		Ministers			Mem's June 1, '76.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.		Sab. Sch.	
Place and Name.	Org	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf'	Tot.	Av.
Andover,	1782	Howard Moody,	Nov. 22,1843	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1869	6	16	22	4	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	1	50	40
Boscawen,	1740	Joseph A. Freeman,	June 30,1875	June 30,1875	43	78	121	41	31	2	33	6	6	0	12	23	0	100	85
Bradford,	1803				* 8	12	20	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Canterbury,	1760	James Doldt,	Sept. 21,1843	*A.p.*Mar., 1869	33	47	80	1	0	1	1	4	0	0	4	0	1	130	89
Chichester,	1791	George A. Foss,	Feb. 24, 1874	Feb. 24, 1874	29	44	73	26	0	0	0	5	2	0	7	0	0	90	60
Concord, First,	1730	Franklin D. Ayer,	May 1, 1861	Sept. 12,1867	94	213	307	18	4	4	8	3	2	0	5	2	3	328	178
" West,	1833	John W. Colwell,	Sept. 22,1875	*A.p.*July 11,1875	56	109	165	13	29	7	36	4	1	0	5	23	16	170	95
" South,	1837	S. Leroy Blake,	Dec. 7, 1864	Jan. 27, 1869	138	290	428	30	12	10	22	7	10	0	17	6	7	400	250
" East,	1842	Abraham Burnham,	Sept. 30,1857	*A.p.*May 1, 1872	18	45	63	16	8	2	10	1	3	0	4	7	0	110	64
Dunbarton,	1789	William E. Spear,	Oct. 16, 1873	Oct. 16, 1873	32	75	107	8	6	5	11	1	2	0	3	0	1	170	131
Epsom,	1761				8	35	43	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fisherville,	1850	Marvin D. Bisbee,	Sept. 10,1874	Sept. 10,1874	42	101	143	17	2	5	7	0	1	0	1	2	1	206	120
Franklin,	1822	Austin H. Burr,	Nov. 3, 1875	Nov. 3, 1875	32	77	109	48	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0	130	75
Henniker,	1769				47	104	151	29	5	2	7	2	3	0	5	4	2	197	194
Hill,	1815				† 6	10	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hooksett,	1828				† 8	14	22	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hopkinton,	1757	Clarendon A. Stone,	Apr. 2, 1873	Dec. 29, 1874	62	134	196	35	42	2	44	7	1	0	8	23	5	150	90
Loudon,	1789	David S. Hibbard,	July 26, 1860	*A.p.*May, 1875	11	43	54	12	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	40	30
Pembroke,	1737	Edward P. Stone,	Oct. 14, 1861	*A.p.*Oct. 15, 1875	31	84	115	28	4	3	7	6	2	0	8	4	1	180	52
Pittsfield,	1789	Stephen S. N. Greeley,	Jan. 31, 1839	*A.p.*Nov., 1873	49	92	141	32	35	2	37	5	1	0	6	29	0	189	124
Salisbury,	1773	William C. Scofield,	Sept. 15,1852	*A.p.*June 1, 1876	15	47	62	14	18	3	21	1	1	0	2	11	1	50	35
Tilton & Northfield,	1822	Frederic T. Perkins,	Jan. 11, 1843	*A.p.*Sept. 1, 1875	48	88	136	11	5	4	9	6	5	0	11	4	3	142	90
Warner,	1772				28	70	98	4	0	0	0	3	4	1	8	0	0	132	62
Webster,	1804	Edward Buxton, / Wm. C. Schofield,	Apr. 10, 1836 / Sept. 15,1852	Dec. 13,1837 / *A.p.*June 1, 1876	37	62	99	33	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	1	100	75
Wilmot,	1829	Caleb B. Tracy,	Mar. 10,1830	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1868	18	29	47	15	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	68	50
					809	1919	2818	457	202	53	255	66	51	1	118	139	45	3132	1989

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 8; with Acting Pastors, 11; Vacant. 6; Total, 25.

*Report of 1873, the last received. †Report of 1875.

MERRIMACK CONFERENCE.—*Continued.*

Churches.	Amount contributed during the year ending May 31, 1876.								Parish Expenses	Value Parsonages.	Families in Congregation.
	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Asso.	Cong. Union.	Col. & Ed. Society.	Cong. Pub. Society.	All other outside obj's	Total Foregoing.			
Andover,	$16.65	$24.25					$17.07	$57.97	$800.00	None.	20
Boscawen,	48.00	19.00	$11.00					78.00	1300.00	$4,000	50
Bradford,*											
Canterbury,	15.25	18.00	7.42				85 00	125.67		None.	90
Chichester.	13.50						45.00	58.50	400.00	1,200	25
Concord, First,	327.00	147.32	44.25		$34.57		244.00	797.14	2800.00	5,500	248
" West,	15.60	15.12	17.40	$8.10	16.00		13.00	85.22	1200.00	None.	75 (?)
" South,	320.23	304.25	114.18	95.15	95.15		256.43	1185.39	3937.06	"	400 (?)
" East,	16.72		3.00					19.72	800.00	900	65
Dunbarton,	40.00	25.75	69.60				12.50	147.85	1159.00	None.	75 (?)
Epsom,*											
Fisherville,	100.00	62.00	30.00				12.00	204.00	2000.00	2,500	85
Franklin,	50.00	18.20	40.00				160.00	268.20	1400.00	3,000	70
Henniker,	93.25	130.00	15.75	6.50	10.25	$8.50	107.00	371.25	1100.00	None.	95
Hill,*											
Hooksett,*											
Hopkinton,	25.00	46.00						71.00	1150.00	None.	120
Loudon.	6.00	5.00						11.00	810.00	"	41
Pembroke,	75.18	30.00	38.31				47.00	190.49	1250.00	1,500	60
Pittsfield,	21.68	37.87					81.05	142.10	1500.00	None.	60 (?)
Salisbury,		23.00						23.00	575.00	1,000	45 (?)
Tilton & Northfield,	100.00							100.00	1300.00	None.	95
Warner.	4.25	3.25	11.20			25.00		43.70	800.00	2,500	92
Webster,	64.00	30.32	13.00		5.00		21.00	133.32	543.00	None.	40
Wilmot,	6.00	23.94						29.94	500.00	1,000	30
	1358.31	964.77	415.11	109.75	160.97	33.50	1101.05	4143.46	25324.06	23,100	1881

*No Report.

VI. ROCKINGHAM CONFERENCE.

ALBERT B. PEABODY, *Statistical Secretary.*

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1, '76.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.		Sab. Sch.	
Place and Name.	Org	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Tot.	Av'
Atkinson,	1772	Charles T. Melvin,	Oct. 18, 1859	*A.p.*Dec. 5, 1875	26	56	82	28	0	0	0	3	4	0	7	0	0	100	60
Auburn,	1734	Charles E. Houghton,	May 24, 1876	*A.p.*May 20, 1875	14	34	48	12	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	100	75
Brentwood,	1748	William C. Jackson,	Oct. 13, 1835	*A.p.*July 10, 1870	9	44	53	18	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	0	0	55	45
Candia,	1771	George E. Lovejoy,	July 16, 1873	July 16, 1873	106	143	249	31	27	4	31	6	5	0	11	22	3	300	160
Chester,	1731	Charles Tenney,	Feb. 7, 1844	Aug. 2, 1871	51	138	199	23	32	4	36	5	2	0	7	29	0	220	140
Deerfield,	1772	Lyman White.	Oct. 23, 1849	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 18'5	39	80	119	30	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	0	95	68
Derry, 1st,	1719	Edward S. Hun' ress,	Sept. 3, 1860	Feb. 25, 1875	45	125	170	75	9	3	12	3	5	0	8	4	1	95	60
" 1st Cong.,	1837	Robert W. Haskins,	Nov. 19, 1872	Nov. 19, 1872	30	93	123	21	10	3	13	2	4	0	6	9	1	140	80
Epping.	1747	Josiah H. Stearns,	Nov. 6, 1844	*A.p.*June 16, 1857	29	49	78	12	4	6	10	1	0	0	1	3	0	165	93
Exeter, 1st,	1639	Swift Byington,	Nov. 17, 1852	June 2, 1871	43	121	164	32	0	1	1	2	2	0	4	0	0	130	100
" 2d,	1744	George E. Street,	Apr. 6, 1864	Mar. 30, 1871	48	121	169	49	1	3	4	1	2	0	3	1	1	90	75
Greenland,	1706	Edward Robie, D.D.,	Feb. 25, 1852	Feb. 25, 1852	11	53	64	12	1	1	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	60	45
Hampstead,	1752	Albert Watson,	June 27, 1871	Mar. 23, 1876	15	57	72	20	0	4	4	1	3	0	4	0	2	175	100
Hampton,	1638	John S. Batchelder,	Oct. 20, 1858	*A.p.*Apr. 25, 1875	61	123	184	24	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0	136	
Kensington,	1737	Frederic D. Chandler,	Apr. 11, 1869	Mar. 9, 1876	11	30	41	0	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	1	100	80
Kingston,	1725	Jacob Chapman,	June 23, 1845	June 5, 1872	9	39	48	8	4	1	5	2	1	0	3	3	0	126	79
Londonderry, *Presb.*	1735	Luther B. Pert,	Oct. 25, 1870	Feb. 23, 1875	46	124	170	16	12	1	13	6	3	1	10	6	0	175	98
Newcastle,	1700	Benj. F. Grant.	July 19, 1876	*A.p.*Nov. 1, 1875	11	39	50	18	1	2	3	2	3	0	5	1	0	103	87
Newington,	1715	[Willis A. Hadley,	Licentiate,]	*A.p.*May 21, 1876	6	20	26	3	6	1	7	1	0	0	1	5	0	65	55
Newmarket,	1828	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	*A.p.*June 1, 1865	34	77	111	35	0	0	0	1	6	0	7	0	0	125	75
North Hampton,	1739	Thomas V. Haines,	Feb. 1, 1861	* Apr. 27, 1870	80	132	212	28	61	8	69	2	0	0	2	36	2	251	115
Northwood,	1798	George F. Wright,	July 14, 1875	*A.p.*July 2, 1876	28	49	77	11	2	1	3	0	5	0	5	2	0	80	50
Nottingham,	1742				2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plaistow,	1730	David Bremner,	May 2, 1855	*A.p.*Apr. 18, 1875	41	79	120	16	51	0	51	3	0	0	3	37	4	110	60
Portsmouth,	1671				105	233	338	60	22	2	24	5	3	0	8	7	10	263	207
Raymond,	1791				42	62	104		0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	0	100	75
Rye,	1726	Jeremiah K. Aldrich,	Feb. 17, 1863	*A.p.*May 1, 1873	28	81	109	8	23	0	23	0	0	0	0	19	0	167	116
Salem,	1740	Samuel Bowker,	Dec. 8, 1844	*A.p.*July 1, 1873	14	43	57	4	3	0	3	1	3	0	4	3	0	60	50
Seabrook & H. Falls,	1799	Frank Haley,	Oct. 7, 1863	*A.p.*Dec. 1, 1875	12	29	41	6	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	2	75	50
Seabrook, South,	1867	William A. Rand,	July 9, 1873	† July 9, 1875	4	16	20	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	1	100	50
South Newmarket,	1730	Joseph Bartlett,	Oct. 7, 1847	*A.p.*Nov. 1868	5	15	20	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	50	38
Stratham,	1718	Albert B. Peabody,	May 24, 1860	Nov. 25, 1869	17	38	55	4	11	0	11	1	1	0	2	5	1	103	51
Windham, *Presb.*,	1742	Charles Packard,	May 6, 1846	Apr. 29, 1873	49	110	159	50	26	1	27	6	0	0	6	15	0	185	115
					1081	2455	3536	655	312	46	358	71	61	2	134	211	30	4099	2549

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES. With Pastors, 13; with Acting Pastors, 15; Vacant, 3; Total, 31;
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES. With Pastors, 2; with Acting Pastors, 0; Vacant, 0; Total, 2;
} Grand Total, 33.

*Begun May 1, 1867.
†Begun Jan. 1867.

ROCKINGHAM CONFERENCE.—*Continued.*

Churches.	Amount contributed during the year ending March 31, 1876.								Parish Expenses.	Value Parsonages.	Families in Congregation.
	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Asso.	Cong. Union.	Col. & Ed. Society.	Cong. Pub. Society.	All other outside objs.	Total Foregoing.			
Atkinson,	$72.00	$16.15	$1.65	$100.00	$3.00		$20.00	$212.80	$950.00	$3,000	60
Auburn,		5.00	42.00					47.00	909.93	2,000	42
Brentwood,	7.40	9.00						16.40	515.00	600	33
Candia,	84.00	86.20	47.00		10.45		67.67	295.32	1200.00	1,100	129
Chester,	142.22	61.36	9.00	5.00			22.50	239.08	1100.00	4,000	106
Deerfield,		8.32					22.20	30.52	1100.00	2,000	
Derry, 1st,	25.00	125.75	17.75		4.00		39.00	211.50	1400.00	2,000	85
" 1st Cong.,	155.69	84.50					37.50	277.69	1650.00	None.	90
Epping,	27.73	39.30	2.25	2.25	2.25	$9.72	19.14	102.64	7302.00	None.	75
Exeter, 1st,	*226.00	216.35	37.15				94.00	573.50	1942.00	5,000	122
" 2d,	256.00	357.00	†424.47				103.28	1140.75	2000.00	5,000	80
Greenland,	131.50	48.00					76.60	256.10	900.00	2,500	35
Hampstead,	21.97	17.20	12.92		4.09		5.10	61.28	1200.00	4,000	80
Hampton,	157.43		16.50				45.10	219.03	1200.00	None.	115
Kensington,	7.00	12.00		7.00				26.00	900.00	None.	45
Kingston,	41.50	40.00	7.00		5.00		23.00	116.50	800.00	1,500	45
Londonderry, *Pres.*,								125.00	1500.00	1,500	75
Newcastle,	10.00							10.00	920.23	None.	46
Newington,	8.00	18.50					10.75	37.25	600.00	None.	75
Newmarket,	25.00	10.00	10.00	20.00	5.95		20.00	90.95	1500.00	None.	75
North Hampton,	65.60	67.84	25.82				74.12	233.38	1347.65	2,000	98
Northwood,								0.00		1,000	15
Nottingham,								0.00	0.00	None.	
Plaistow,	304.25		50.00					354.25	800.00	1.200	40
Portsmouth,	290.00	220.00			130.00	50.00	500.00	1190.00	4500.00	None.	200
Raymond,	10.50	325.00						335.50	1090.00	1,500	
Rye,	25.17	15.00	15.20			12.61	32.51	100.49	1753.00	None.	125
Salem,	20.00			6.00				26.00	950.00	1,500	60
Seabrook & H. Falls	12.00							12.00	850.00	1,500	50
South Seabrook,								0.00		None.	120
South Newmarket,	14.25	17.19					12.03	26.28	550.00	3,000	24
Stratham,	115.44	36.60	34.30		4.33		56.55	247.22	999.50	1,750	44
Windham,	35.00	51.70					32.75	119.45	1100.00	3,000	86
	$2290.65	$1887.96	$718.01	$140.25	$169.07	$72.33	$1313.80	$6733.88	$43529.40	47,650	2305

*Including $123 in goods sent a Missionary. †Including $300 in goods sent Home Missionaries and Freedmen.

VII. STRAFFORD CONFERENCE.

S. G. NORCROSS, *Statistical Secretary.*

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1, '76.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bap'tms.		Sab. Sch.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Tot.	Av.
Alton,	1827	Leander S. Coan,	June 18,1862	*A.p.*Dec. 17,1875	13	29	42	7	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	125	80
Barnstead,	1804				* 7	13	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barnstead Parade,	1867	William O. Carr,	Feb. 13,1861	*A.p.*July 9, 1867	15	20	35	7	3	3	6	1	0	0	1	0	1	90	55
Barrington,	1655				* 11	37	48	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	
Center Harbor,	1838	Joshua S. Gay,	Jan. 27, 1848	*A.p.*Oct. 10,1874	22	35	57	17	2	0	2	1	4	0	5	0	2	99	55
Conway, North,	1778	S. Girard Norcross,	Oct. 11, 1859	*A.p.*June15,1873	23	51	74	18	2	1	3	3	1	0	4	1	2	104	46
Dover, First,	1638	George B. Spalding,	Oct. 5, 1861	Sept. 1, 1869	80	204	284	58	9	9	18	11	4	0	15	4	11	265	196
" Belknap,	1856	Isaiah P. Smith,	Oct. 19, 1864	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1876	18	53	71	12	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	60	45
Durham,	1718	Henry L. Talbot,	Jan. 1, 1873	Jan. 1, 1873	15	55	70	17	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	109	70
Effingham,	1800	[Lewis Gowan,	F. Baptist.]	*A.p.*May 1, 1875	2	7	9	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	25	20
Farmington,	1819	Paul H. Pitkin,	Sept. 11,1866	*A.p.*July 4, 1875	22	53	75	15	4	9	13	3	2	0	5	2	0	165	98
Gilmanton, East,	1774				5	6	11	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Center,	1826	Joseph Blake, D.D.,	Mar. 3, 1841	June 13,1860	30	72	102	17	7	2	9	4	3	0	7	4	1	78	45
" Iron Works,	1830	George Rogers,	July 22, 1875	July 22,1875	21	64	85	27	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	75	50
Lacouia,	1824	William F. Bacon,	Sept.26,1867	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1872	37	98	135	19	1	2	3	7	3	0	10	1	2	110	72
Lee,	1867	John W. Lees,	Nov.16, 1870	Nov. 16,1870	6	38	44	14	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0	250	129
Meredith Village,	1815	George I. Bard,	Oct. 17, 1860	Jan. 2, 1873	† 14	48	62	10	2	0	2	2	2	0	4	1	0	125	72
Milton,	1815	Samuel W. Clarke,	Jan. 14, 1874	*A.p.*Apr. 16,1876	30	50	80	5	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	90	60
" Mills,	1871				14	28	42	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	
Moultonborough,	1777	Charles L. Tappan,	Jan. 28, 1864	*A.p.* 1876	6	14	20	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	35	20
Ossipee Centre,	1806	Edward P. Eastman,	Apr. 20,1871	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1876	16	45	61	7	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0	50	45
Rochester,	1837	Abram J. Quick,	Mar. 7, 1864	Pastor elect,1875	43	114	157	19	10	1	11	7	4	0	11	3	1	165	113
Rollinsford, S. Falls,	1846	Ezra Haskell,	Aug. 22,1860	*A.p.* 1876	19	63	82	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80	55
Sanbornton,	1771	Moses T. Runnels,	Aug. 13,1856	June 11,1868	45	87	132	15	3	0	3	4	0	0	4	3	3	148	102
Sandwich,	1814	Charles L. Tappan,	Jan. 28, 1864	*A.p.*June18,1871	9	32	41	7	6	2	8	0	0	0	0	2	3	60	50
" North,	1832	Charles L. Tappan,	Jan. 28, 1864	*A.p.*June 1, 1876	8	14	22	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Somersw'th, G. Falls	1827	Stephen W. Webb,	Apr. 19,1870	Oct. 15, 1873	57	167	224	49	40	10	50	2	0	0	2	36	0	265	190
Tamworth,	1792				24	56	80	16	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	115	55
Tuftonborough,	1839				* 1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wakefield,	1785	George O. Jenness,	Feb. 8, 1861	*A.p.*June16,1875	5	33	38	10	15	0	15	1	0	0	1	14	0	80	50
Wolfeborough,	1834	George H. Tilton,	June 4, 1873	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1876	29	54	83	20	9	12	21	1	1	0	2	8	4	103	75
" North,	1839				7	18	25	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	25
					654	1661	2315	455	117	56	173	57	29	0	86	81	34	3041	1873

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 9: with Acting Pastors, 16; Vacant, 7; Votal, 32. *Report of 1874. †Report of 1875.

STRAFFORD CONFERENCE.—*Continued.*

Churches.	Amount contributed during the year ending May 31, 1876.								Parish Expenses.	Value Parsonages.	Families in Congregation.
	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Asso.	Cong. Union.	Col. & Ed. Society.	Cong. Pub. Society.	All other outside obj's	Total Foregoing.			
Alton,	$5.97	$7.00						$12 97	$700.00	$2,500	50
Barnstead.*											
" Parade,		5.00						5.00	700.00	None.	
Barrington,*											
Center Harbor,	20.00	37.69	$5.00				$0.25	71.85	525.00	2,500	40
Conway. North,	55.00	10.00	5.00				18.00	88 70	1200.00	None.	140
Dover, First,	316.00	598.48	103.13				232.04	1249.82	3913.84	None.	200
" Belknap,	12.82			$26.00				38.00	1300.00	None.	80
Durham,	50.00							50.00	1150.00	None.	53
Effingham,		3.10						3.10	140.00	None.	20
Farmington,								0.00	†17400.00	4,500	40
Gilmanton, East,								0.00	0.00	None.	20
" Center,	36 66	14.00	3.00				27.00	80.66	596.63	1,000	55
" Iron Works	30.00	10.00						40.00	1000.00		
Laconia,		53.62					136.88	190.50	2050.00	None.	100
Lee,		15.00						15.00	788.00	2,000	56
Meredith Village,	237.67	145.76					27.50	410.93	987.00	None.	60
Milton,		26.00						26.00	800.00	600	70
" Mills.*											
Moultonborough,								0.00	80.00	None.	16
Ossipee Center,	5.00							5.00	1000.00	1,200	35
Rochester.	57.56	20.55					40.00	118.11	2575.00	2,500	140
Rollinsford, S. Falls,								0.00			40
Sanboruton,	90.00	50.00	17.50				64.05	221.55	698.68	None.	89
Sandwich.		5 00						5.00	556.00	500	24
" North,		2.50						2.50	42.75	None.	20
Somersw'th, G. Falls	82 20	176.00	41.00		$12.00		149.00	460.00	2600.00	None.	150
Tamworth,	22.00	26.50					6.00	54.50		1,500	50
Tuftonborough,*											
Wakefield.	48.00	32.40					23.00	103.40	625.00	800	50
Wolfeborough,	50.00		10.80				16.00	76.80	1300.00	None.	75
" North,		5.50						5.50	202.00	None.	27
	1118.68	1244.01	185.43	26.00	$12.00	0.00	$748.72	$3334.89	42927.90	19,600	1700

*No report. †$16,000 expended for church edifice.

VIII. SULLIVAN CONFERENCE.

JAMES MARSHALL, *Statistical Secretary.*

Churches.		Ministers.			Mem's June 1, '76.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.		Sab. Sch.	
Place and Name.	Org	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Tot.	Av.
Acworth,	1773	James Marshall,	Dec. 10,1871	June 9, 1874	56	99	155	35	3	4	7	3	0	0	3	1	2	80	45
Charlestown,	1835				11	32	43	10	1	0	1	1	2	0	3	1	0	87	40
Claremont,	1770	Levi Rodgers,	Oct. 19, 1871	Oct. 19, 1871	67	164	231	37	0	6	6	5	5	0	10	0	4	243	165
Cornish,	1781	James T. Jackson,	Dec. 17,1874	Dec. 17,1874	39	66	105	15	4	1	5	1	0	0	1	1	1	70	48
Croydon,	1778				5	9	14	5	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Goshen,	1802	Henry W. L. Thurston	Aug. 25,1875	*A.p.* May 1, 1875	9	22	31	2	1	4	5	0	3	0	3	1	0	100	54
Langdon,	1792	Geo. F. Chapin, *	Apr. 15,1866	*A.p.* Apr. 1, 1873	7	23	30	7	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	50	35
Lempster, 1st,	1781	John LeBosquet,	Sept.21,1836	*A.p.* May 1, 1871	23	30	53	13	2	1	3	0	3	0	3	1	0	45	35
" 2nd,	1837				2	7	9	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Newport,	1780	Ephraim E. P. Abbott.	May 6, 1868	Mar. 24,1875	95	181	276	60	4	7	11	6	4	0	10	1	0	275	110
Plainfield,	1804	Lewis A. Austin,	June 26,1862	*A.p.* May 14,1876	4	20	24	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Meriden,	1779	Chas. M. Palmer,	Dec. 8, 1868	Mar. 27,1873	50	73	123	52	5	0	5	2	4	0	6	3	1	148	117
Washington,	1780	Henry H. Colburn,†	May 19,1869	*A.p.* Apr. 16,1871	6	16	22	9	4	3	7	1	1	0	2	4	0	35	25
					374	742	1116	252	24	27	51	24	22	0	46	13	9	1133	674

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 5; with Acting Pastors, 5; Vacant, 3; Total, 13.

*Also A. P. Alstead, Cheshire Conference.

†Also A. P. Stoddard, Cheshire Conference.

SULLIVAN CONFERENCE.—*Continued.*

Churches.	Amount contributed during the year ending May 31, 1876.								Parish Expenses.	Value Parsonages.	Families in Congregation.
	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Asso.	Cong. Union.	Col. & Ed. Society.	Cong. Pub. Society.	All other outside obj's	Total Foregoing.			
Acworth,	$26.00		$5.51	$4.00	$2.00		$22.00	$59.57	$1350.11	$1,500	100
Charlestown,	6.00	$8.61					5.50	20.11	800.00	None.	45
Claremont,	251.86	88.20	60.36	16.00	25.00		347.25	788.67	2250.00	4,500	144
Cornish,	35.25		5.00			$10.00		50.25	790.00	1,500	54
Croydon,									0.00	None.	
Goshen,							3.40	3.40	700.00	None.	75
Langdon,		10.00						10.00	190.00	500	30
Lempster, 1st,	19.65	7.00	7.00				8.75	42.40	300.00	1,200	30
" 2nd,								0.00	0.00	None.	
Newport,	275.00	93.00	2000	15.00			150.60	553.00	1600.00	None.	115
Plainfield,	50.00	25.00	20.00					95.00	0.00	None.	12
" Meriden,	62.50	47.40	8.90				64.55	183.35	1052.00	1,200	65
Washington,	3.00							3.00	533.32	1,000	34
	729.26	279.21	$126.77	$35.00	$27.00	$10.00	$601.45	$1808.69	$9565.43	11,400	704

I. SUMMARY.

CONFERENCES.	Churches.						Ministers.				Licentiates.
	With Pastors.	With Acting Pastors.	Vacant.	Total.	Gain.	Loss.	Pastors.	Acting Pastors.	Others.	Total.	
1. Cheshire,	8	12	6	26	1		8	9	8	25	1
2. Coos,	2	4	4	10	1		2	2	1	5	2
3. Grafton,	8	9	6	23	0	0	8	8	13	29	3
4. Hillsboro', *Cong.*,	13	11	6	30	1		15	11	11	37	4
" *Presb.*,	2	2	0	4	0	0	2	2	0	4	0
5. Merrimack,	8	11	6	25	0	0	9	10	11	30	2
6. Rockingham, *Cong.*,	13	15	3	31	0	0	13	15	7	35	2
" *Presb.*,	2	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	3	0
7. Strafford,	9	16	7	32	0	0	9	13	5	27	0
8. Sullivan,	5	5	3	13	0	0	5	4	2	11	0
Total of Cong. Churches,	66	83	41	190	3		69	72	58	199	14
Total of Presb. Churches,	4	2	0	6		0	4	2	1	7	0
Total,	70	85	41	196	3		73	74	59	206	14
Total, 1875,	75	79	39	193		1	77	68	47	192	13

II. SUMMARY.

CONFERENCES.	Churches Reporting.	Benevolent Contributions.							
		Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	American Missionary Association.	Congregational Union.	College and Educational Society.	Congregational Publishing Society.	All others.	Total.
1. Cheshire,	21	$2,559.64	$2215.94	$530.55	125.43	$58.73	$18.49	$767.32	$6,276.00
2. Coos,	8	306.48	108.60	101.76	35.88	24.55	0.00	235.81	812.08
3. Grafton,	19	1,287.26	911.88	192.30	15.00	36.02	0.00	438.98	2,881.44
4. Hillsboro',	32	2,920.47	2,344.35	1,012.38	297.33	218.03	23.55	3,989.15	10,805.26
5. Merrimack,	21	1,358.31	964.77	415.51	109.75	160.97	33.50	1,101.05	4,143.46
6. Rockingham,	30	2,290.55	1,887.96	718.01	140.25	169.07	72.33	1,313.80	6,733.88
7. Strafford,	24	1,118.68	1,244.01	185.43	26.00	12.00	0.00	748.72	3,334.89
8. Sullivan,	11	729.26	279.21	126.77	35.00	27.00	10.00	601.45	1,808.69
Total,	166	12,569.75	9,956.72	3,282.71	784.64	706.37	157.87	9,196.28	36,795.70

I. SUMMARY.—*Continued.*

Church Members.						Additions.			Removals.				Baptisms.		Sabbath Schools.			
Male.	Female.	Total.	Absent.	Gain.	Loss.	Profession.	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Dismission.	Exclusion.	Total.	Adult.	Infant.	Total.	Gain.	Loss.	Average.
797	1798	2595	404	186		205	93	298	56	66	7	129	131	27	3832	559		2103
179	431	610	90	52		58	9	67	16	9	0	25	39	1	813	135		544
652	1406	2058	516		14	104	34	138	52	63	1	116	63	16	2294	100		1382
1571	3462	5033	653		99	274	108	382	71	95	1	167	196	59	5916		86	3587
187	401	588	89	25		33	14	47	14	7	2	23	20	7	771	52		445
899	1919	2818	457	96		202	53	255	66	51	1	118	139	45	3132	174		1989
986	2221	3207	589	200		274	44	318	59	58	1	118	190	30	3739	319		2336
95	234	329	66	35		38	2	40	12	3	1	16	21	0	360	0	0	218
654	1661	2315	455	69		117	56	173	57	29	0	86	81	34	3041	42		1873
374	742	1116	252	41		24	27	51	24	22	0	46	13	9	1133	115		674
6112	13640	19752	3447	531		1258	424	1682	401	393	11	805	852	221	23900	1358		14488
282	635	917	124	60		71	16	87	26	10	3	39	41	7	1131	52		658
6394	14275	20669	3571	591		1329	440	1769	427	403	14	844	893	228	25031	1410		15146
6266	13794	20078	3589	893		1200	481	1681	424	450	12	886	748	158	23321		110	

II. SUMMARY.—*Continued.*

Benevolent Contributions. *Continued.*		Parish Expenses		Parsonag's		Familes in Congregations.		Changes.									
								Churches.		Ministers.							
Gain.	Loss.	Churches reporting.	Total.	Churches owning.	Value.	Churches reporting.	Number.	New.	Dropped.	Pastors.	Ordinations.	Not instal'd.	Installed.	Dismissed.	Pastors.	Act. Past'rs.	Decess'd. Without Ch.
$367.19		24	$31,437.67	17	$23,300	25	1,712	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
60.68		8	6,819.00	3	5,200	9	420	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	$521.30	15	16,421.13	11	17,250	20	1,471	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
	2,815.22	31	52,787.43	16	32,500	33	3,820	1	0	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	1
	595.68	20	25,324.06	10	23,100	21	1,881	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
271.55		30	43,529.40	22	47,650	30	2,305	0	0	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	1
333.36		25	42,927.90	11	19,600	26	1,700	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1
	458.47	10	9,565.43	7	11,400	11	704	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
	3,357.89	163	228,812.02	97	180,000	175	14,013	3	0	3	5	2	12	0	0	0	4

MINISTERS

OTHER THAN THOSE SUPPLYING THE CHURCHES; ALSO, MINISTERS RESIDING IN OTHER STATES, MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATIONS IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

*Names preceded with a * indicate those not members of any Association.*

Names.	*Residence.*	*Ordained.*	*Association.*
Adams, Daniel E.,	*Ashburnham, Mass.*	Dec. 5, 1860.	Hollis.
Aiken, James,	Haverhill.	Aug. 30, 1843.	Orange.
*Alden, Lucius,	Newcastle.	Sept. 29, 1825.	
Ayers, Walter H.,	Lebanon.	July 16, 1872.	White River.
*Barker, Nathaniel,	Wakefield.	Nov. 1, 1826.	
Barrows, John O.,	*Western Turkey.*	June 9, 1864.	Piscataqua.
Beckwith, George A.,	Troy.	May 26, 1862.	*Southern, Kan.*
Benson, Almon,	Center Harbor.	Dec. 23, 1840.	Belknap.
Bigelow, Asahel,	Hancock.	March 12, 1828.	Union.
Blake, Jeremiah, M.D.,	Gilmanton Iron Works.	Nov. 1, 1838.	Suncook.
Bouton, Nathaniel, D.D.,†	Concord.	March 23, 1825.	Merrimack.
Bullard, Ebenezer W.,	*Stockbridge, Mass.*	Aug. 8, 1838.	Derry & Manchester.
Burbank, Justin E.,		April 13, 1858.	Monadnock.
Campbell, Henry F.,	Concord.	Jan. 22, 1874.	Hollis.
Case, Rufus,	*Hubbardstown, Mass.*	May 4, 1842.	Monadnock.
Clark, Edward W.,	*Westboro', Mass.*	Jan. 1, 1850.	Sullivan.
Clark, John,	Plymouth.	Jan. 23, 1835.	Belknap.
Clark, Sereno D.,	*No. Somerville, Mass.*	June 11, 1840.	Hollis.
*Clark, Sumner,	Wolfeboro'.	Jan. 1, 1845.	
Clark, William, D.D.,	Amherst.	April 30, 1828.	Hollis.
Cleveland, Edward,	Bath.	Jan. 11, 1837.	Orange.
*Cogswell, Elliot C.,	Northwood.	Nov. 3, 1842.	
Conant, Liba,	Orford.	May 29, 1823.	Belknap.
Connell, David,	Plymouth.	Nov. 20, 1842.	*Orleans, Vt.*
Curtice, Corban,	Tilton.	Oct. 5, 1843.	Merrimack.
Davis, Franklin,	Newington.	Oct. 6, 1847.	Piscataqua.
Dickinson, William E.,	*Chicopee, Mass.*	Dec. 19, 1840.	Monadnock.
Downs, Charles A.,‡	Lebanon.	May 1, 1849.	Sullivan.
Ferris, Leonard Z.,	*Gorham, Me.*	Nov. 30, 1865.	Suncook.
Fiske, Albert W.,	Fisherville.	May 28, 1833.	Merrimack.
Gates, Matthew A.,	*St. Johnsbury, Vt.*	Sept. 2, 1858.	Merrimack.
Gay, William M.,	Thornton's Ferry.	March 31, 1863.	*Brookfield, Mass.*
Goodrich, Darius N.,	*Windham, Vt.*	June 9, 1865.	Monadnock.
Goodyear, George,	Temple.	July 22, 1828.	Hollis.
Greeley, Edward H.,§	Concord.	Nov. 7, 1849.	Merrimack.
Hadley, James B.,	Campton.	Sept. 20, 1837.	Belknap.
*Hall, Jaffries,	Chesterfield.	June 5, 1833.	
Hall, Robert B.,	*Cambridgeport. Mass.*	Nov. 13, 1873.	Piscataqua.
Hartshorne, Vaola J.,	*Hyannis, Mass.*	Jan. 16, 1865.	White River.
Harris, Leonard W.,	Colebrook.	Nov. 2, 1842.	Lancaster.
Holman, Morris,	Antrim.	Jan. 15, 1845.	Union.
*Jennison, Edwin,	Winchester.	Aug. 17, 1831.	
Jewett, William R.,	Concord.	Jan. 18, 1837.	Merrimack.
Keeler, Seth H., D.D.,	*Somerville, Mass.*	Oct. 15, 1829.	Hollis.
Kendall, Henry A.,	East Concord.	Oct. 21, 1840.	Merrimack.
Labaree, Benj., D.D.,	Charlestown.	Sept. 26, 1831.	*Suffolk, So., Mass.*
Ladd, Horatio O.,	Plymouth.	Nov. 23, 1865.	Belknap.
Leach, Giles,	Meredith Village.	Feb. 6, 1833.	Belknap.
*Lee, Samuel,	New Ipswich.	Nov. 4, 1830.	
*Manning, Abel,	Goffstown.	Nov. 7, 1820.	
Martyn, Sanford S.,	*Terre Haute, Ind.*	April 29, 1868.	Hollis.
McClenning, Daniel,	East Concord.	April 29, 1852.	Union.
Morrill, Stephen S.,	*Howard, Mass.*	May 12, 1859.	Merrimack.
Morse, George H.,	Henniker.	May 11, 1864.	Merrimack.
Noyes, Daniel J., D.D.,	Hanover.	May 3, 1837.	White River.
Otis, Israel T.,	Exeter.	June 10, 1835.	Piscataqua.
Page, Jesse,	Atkinson.	Sept. 16, 1835.	Derry & Manchester.

†Provincial Historian.
‡State Superintendent Public Instruction.
§Secretary New-Hampshire Missionary Society.

Name.	*Residence.*	*Ordained.*	*Association.*
Parker, Henry E.,	Hanover.	March 13, 1849.	White River.
Parsons, Ebenezer G.,	*Byfield, Mass.*	Oct. 4, 1837.	Derry & Manchester.
Patten, William A.,	Kingston.	July 18, 1850.	Piscataqua.
Pond, Benjamin W.,	*Washington, D. C.*	Jan. 27, 1862.	Piscataqua.
*Pulsifer, Daniel.	Danbury.	July, 1834.	
Rand, William H.,	Manchester.	Jan. 17, 1872.	Derry & Manchester.
Richards, Austin, D.D.,	*Boston, Mass.*	Nov. 7, 1827.	Hollis.
Roberts, Thomas E.,	Keene.	March 28, 1861.	Monadnock.
Robie, Thomas S.,	Walpole.	Oct. 25, 1859.	Monadnock.
Rood, Heman, D.D.,	Hanover.	June 12, 1826.	White River.
*Saunderson, Henry H.,	Charlestown.	April 20, 1848.	
*Sawyer, Daniel,	Hopkinton.	May 13, 1846.	
Seabury, Edwin,	Walpole.	June, 1840.	*Montpelier, Vt.*
Shattuck, Amos F.,	Hollis.	June 3, 1868.	Hollis.
Smith, Asa D., D.D.,	Hanover.	Nov. 2, 1834.	White River.
*Smith, John C.,	Winchester.	1841.	
Stone, Baman N.,	*Fryeburg, Me.*	June 6, 1871.	Suncook.
Stone, Harvey M.,	*Worthington, Mass.*	Nov. 2, 1848.	Piscataqua.
Tenny, Erdix, D.D.,	*Westboro', Mass.*	Jan. 5, 1831.	Orange.
Thompson, George W.,	Stratham.	April 29, 1840.	Piscataqua.
Willey, Isaac,	Pembroke.	Jan. 18, 1826.	Merrimack.
Wood, Horace,	Gilsum.	July 10, 1839.	Monadnock.

LICENTIATES

SERVING CHURCHES AS ACTING PASTORS; OR, UNDER CARE OF ASSOCIATIONS.

Names.	*Residence.*	*Licensed.*	*Association.*
Adriance, S. Winchester,	*Poughkeepsie, N. Y.*	June 6, 1876.	Derry & Manchester.
Allen, Frederic L.,	*White River Junction, Vt.*	June 6, 1876.	" "
Baker, Orrin G.,	Derry.	June 6, 1876.	" "
Bartlett, Frederick H.,	Bristol.	July, 1872.	Merrimack.
Cary, Otis, Jr.,	*Foxborough, Mass.*	June 6, 1876.	Derry & Manchester.
Grover, George W.,	Concord.	March 7, 1876.	Merrimack.
Hadley, Willis A.,	Newington.	July 6, 1876.	Union.
Hall, Albert E.,	Dalton.	Feb. 2, 1875.	Lancaster.
Kellogg, H. Martyn,	Manchester.	Jan. 18, 1876.	Derry & Manchester.
Leavitt, J. Henry,	Chatham.	Oct. 25, 1875.	*Union, Me.*
Lowell, John N.,	*South Newbury, Me.*	Jan. 19, 1875.	Piscataqua.
Newton, Albert F.,	Manchester.	June 6, 1876.	Derry & Manchester.
Parker, Francis,	Enfield.	June 23, 1874.	*Andover, Mass.*
Pettee, James H.,	Manchester.	June 6, 1876.	Derry & Manchester.
Rand, Lyman F.,	Keene.	May, 1873.	Monadnock.
Sanborn, Edwin D., LL.D.,	Hanover.	Nov. 1, 1836.	White River.
Sawyer, Aaron W.,	Nashua.	May 6, 1873.	Hollis.
Walker, Isaac,	Pembroke.	July 7, 1874.	Merrimack.

MINISTERIAL RECORD.

PASTORS ORDAINED AND INSTALLED.

1875. Sept. 29, Washington Choate, Franklin St., Manchester.
Nov. 3, Austin H. Burr, Franklin.
1876. June 20, John M. Dutton, Lebanon.

ORDAINED WITHOUT INSTALLATION.

1875. Sept. 22, John W. Colwell, West Concord.
Oct. 22, William S. Bugbey, West Stewartstown.
1876. Feb. 1, A. Burton Palmer, South Weare.
May 24, Charles E. Houghton, Auburn.
July 19, Benjamin F. Grant, Newcastle.

INSTALLED.

1876. March 9, Frederic D. Chandler, Kensington.
March 23, Albert Watson, Hampstead.

DISMISSED.

1875. Sept. 2, Rufus Case, Jaffrey.
Sept. 25, Walter H. Ayers, Lebanon.
Oct. 25, Ebenezer W. Bullard, Hampstead.
Dec. 17, Sanford S. Martyn, Olive St. Church, Nashua.
Dec. 23, Robert B. Hall, Wolfeboro'.
1876. March 8, Eugene H. Titus, Farmington.
April 1, Henry F. Campbell, Francestown.
April 26, George W. Kinne, Charlestown.
May 3, Daniel E. Adams, Wilton.
May 15, W. Carlos Martyn, Portsmouth.
May 17, Jonathan B. Cook, Salisbury.
Aug. 2, Matthew A. Gates, Warner.

DECEASED

1876. April 18, Erasmus D. Eldredge, Kensington.
May 5, Thomas W. Duncan, Nelson.
June 1, Samuel H. Riddel, Tamworth.
Aug. 3, Jonathan McGee, Nashua.

CHANGES IN THE LIST OF CHURCHES.

CHURCHES ORGANIZED.

1876. Jan. 27, East Sullivan, Cheshire Conference, 25 members.
Feb. 1, South Weare, Hillsboro' Conference, 20 members.

The church in Franconia, dropped last year, is taken up this year.

NOTICES OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

ISAAC BIRD, without charge. Born in Salisbury, Connecticut, January 19, 1793; son of Isaac and Rhoda (Selleck) Bird. Graduated at Yale College in 1816; and at Andover Theological Seminary in 1820. Ordained as missionary, at North Bridgewater, Massachusetts, October 31, 1821. Sailed, having Jerusalem as his destination, December 9, 1822. He passed the succeeding winter in Jerusalem, and the next thirteen years he was in or near Beirut, Syria. In 1836, he returned to this country and was for the next two years employed as an agent of the American Board. In September, 1839, he began to give instruction in Gilmanton Theological Seminary, where he remained for six years, during the last part of the time serving as Professor of Sacred Literature. From 1846 to 1869, he conducted a family school in Hartford, Connecticut, and then removed to Great Barrington, Massachusetts, where he died, June 13, 1876.

THOMAS WILSON DUNCAN, without charge. Born in Antrim, March 3, 1791; son of Robert and Grizzel (Wilson) Duncan. Graduated at Dartmouth College in 1817. Studied theology with Rev. Ephraim P. Bradford, of New Boston, Rev. Moses Bradford, of Francestown, and Rev. John M. Whiton, D.D., of Antrim. Ordained pastor at Exeter, New York, June 13, 1821; dismissed in 1824. Installed over Second Church, York, Maine, November 9, 1825; dismissed May, 1830. Acting pastor at Post Mills, West Fairlee and other places in Vermont during the next six years. Installed at Burke, Vermont, November 8, 1837; dismissed August 15, 1839. Acting pastor at Jasper, New York, for three or four years. In 1846, he was agent of the Steuben County (New York) Bible Society. Subsequently, acting pastor, in periods varying from one to three years, at Pittsfield and Arlington, Vermont, and Windsor and Chilmark, Massachusetts. Acting pastor at Roxbury from 1858 to 1861, when he removed to Nelson, where he lived without ministerial charge till his death, May 5, 1876.

ERASMUS DARWIN ELDREDGE, without charge. Born in Dunstable, Massachusetts, March 10, 1804; son of Micah and Sally (Buttrick) Eldredge. Graduated at Amherst College in 1829. Studied one year in Andover Theological Seminary, in the class of 1833. Ordained pastor at Hampton, April 4, 1838; dismissed May 7, 1849. Installed at

Salisbury, June 12, 1849; dismissed November 1, 1854. In 1855, he went to Monticello, Georgia, where he taught a school a year and a half, then removed to Milledgeville, Georgia, where he taught three years and a half. In 1860, he was acting pastor of the Presbyterian church in Perry, Houston County, Georgia. Installed at Alton, January 24, 1861; dismissed November 24, 1862. Installed at Kensington, June 30, 1864; dismissed January 13, 1875. Last autumn he went to Athens, Georgia, to visit a daughter, where he died, April 18, 1876.

ISAAC ESTEY, without charge. Born in Westmoreland,* April 24, 1796; son of David and Mary (———) Estey. Graduated at Yale College, in 1821; and at Andover Theological Seminary, in 1824. For some time previous to his ordination, was employed as a missionary in Cheshire County. Ordained pastor at Cape Elizabeth, Maine, January 29, 1829; dismissed, 1831. Acting pastor, Bridgeton, Maine, till 1832, when, on account of feeble health, he returned to his native place, and engaged in farming for eight years. Resided in Westminster, Vermont, from 1840 to April, 1846, when he became acting pastor of the churches in Bethlehem and Franconia. In 1851, he returned to Westminster, where he lived till the spring of 1855, the last two years being acting pastor of this church. Removed to Amherst, Massachusetts, in 1855, where he resided until his death, July 31, 1875.

EDWARD CROCKER FULLER, without charge. Born in Vershire, Vermont, January 16, 1803; son of Rev. Stephen and ——— Fuller. Graduated at Williams College in 1826; studied theology in New York City, while engaged in teaching. Ordained pastor at Canaan, May 1, 1833; dismissed, February, 1836. Acting pastor at Piermont from 1836 to 1840. "Subsequently labored in Granville, New York. After concluding his ministry at Granville, he purchased a home in his native town, but on the death of his wife removed to Brooklyn, New York, where he died from paralysis, August 19, 1876."

WILLIAM HENRY HAYWARD, without charge. Born in Boston, Massachusetts, March 7, 1805. Graduated at Gilmanton Theological Seminary, 1838. Ordained October 1, 1840. Acting pastor at Salem, from 1843 to June, 1847. Much of his ministry was in New England, though his last years were spent in Iowa. He died in Magnolia, Iowa, May 19, 1876.

(Repeated inquiries in several directions have failed to bring any thing more than the above with regard to this brother.)

* From recent information it seems Mr. Estey was born in Sutton, Mass., from which place his father removed to Westmoreland, when he was two years old.

JONATHAN MCGEE, without charge. Born in Coleraine, Massachusetts, Oct. 5, 1789; son of Jonathan and Jane (Thompson) McGee. Graduated at Williams College in 1814; and at Andover Theological Seminary in 1817. Ordained pastor at Brattleboro', Vermont, Jan. 13, 1819; dismissed in 1834. Installed over First Church in Nashua, January 1, 1835; dismissed June 8, 1842. Installed at Francestown, August 16, 1843; dismissed, November 5, 1850. Acting pastor, Evangelical Church, Greenfield, from January, 1851, till April 1, 1859. In 1860, he retired from active labor in the ministry, on account of infirmities, and took up his residence in Nashua, where he died, August 3, 1876.

ROBERT PAGE, without charge. Born Readfield, Maine, April 25, 1790; son of Robert and Abagail (Brown) Page. Graduated at Bowdoin College in 1810; and at Andover Theological Seminary in 1815. Ordained pastor at Bradford, May 22, 1822; dismissed April 16, 1828. Pastor at Durham, installed December 3, 1828; dismissed March 31, 1831. Pastor at Hanover, installed October 5, 1831; dismissed May 9, 1833. Pastor at Hardwick, Vermont, from July, 1833, to July, 1835. Installed at Kenduskeag, Maine, July 15, 1835; dismissed July 30, 1844. Acting pastor at Hillsborough from August, 1847, till May, 1851; at Lempster, from May, 1851, to 1856; at West Farmington, Ohio, at various times, from October, 1856, to 1863, where he continued to reside till his death, January12, 1876.

DAVID PERRY, acting pastor, East Falmouth, Massachusetts. Born in Worcester, Massachusetts, July 26, 1798; son of Moses and Hannah (Hall) Perry. Graduated at Dartmouth College, in 1824; and at Andover Theological Seminary, in 1827. Ordained without installation, at Milford, Connecticut, May, 1828. Installed, Cambridgeport, Massachusetts, April 23, 1829; dismissed October 13, 1830. Installed, Hollis, February 23, 1831; dismissed June 13, 1842. Installed, Lancaster, June 7, 1843; dismissed, January 20, 1847. Installed, Danville, Vermont, February 23, 1847; dismissed, March 26, 1850. Acting pastor, Brookfield, Vermont, from April, 1860, to 1862(?). For several years after this, he was engaged in teaching at Pepperill and Brookfield, Massachusetts. About 1870, he removed to Hollis with the intention of giving up the active duties of the ministry, but in 1872, was urged to supply the church in East Falmouth, Massachusetts, which he did until the day of his death. He died at Wareham, Massachusetts, on Sabbath day, August 27, 1876, where he had gone, on the previous day, to exchange.

SAMUEL HOPKINS RIDDEL, without charge. Born in Bristol, Maine, January 2, 1800; son of William and Lucy (Hopkins) Riddel. Graduated at Yale College in 1823, and at Andover Theological Seminary in 1826. Ordained pastor at Glastonbury, Connecticut, June 27, 1827; where he remained till 1837. He was editor of the "Evangelical Magazine," of Connecticut, from 1834 to 1835. In 1836, he became agent of the American Education Society, which position he filled until 1838. In 1839 and 1840 he edited the Hartford "Congregationalist." In 1842, he was appointed Secretary of the Ameridan Education Society, which office he held until 1850. During the first two years of his Secretaryship he edited the "Quarterly Register." In 1853, he became editor and part proprietor of the "Puritan Recorder," at Boston, where he remained till 1858. Installed at Tamworth, August 15, 1860; dismissed July 12, 1871. The evening of his life was mostly spent in visiting friends in different places, and he died June 1, 1876, in De Moines, Iowa, where he had been entertained through the winter, by former parishioners in Tamworth.

DAVID SANFORD, senior pastor Medway Village, Massachusetts. Born Medway, Massachusetts, August 28, 1801; son of Philo and Lydia (Whiting) Sanford. Graduated at Brown University in 1825; and was two years in Andover Theological Seminary in the class of 1828. Ordained pastor at Newmarket, May 22, 1828; dismissed June 22, 1830. Installed, Village church, Dorchester, Massachusetts, July 14, 1830; dismissed September 17, 1838. Installed, Village church, Medway, Massachusetts, October, 3, 1838, where he remained till his death, December 17, 1875.

CHAUNCEY TAYLOR, without charge. Born Williamstown, Vermont, February 17, 1805; son of Nathaniel and Lydia (Streeter) Taylor. Graduated at University of Vermont, 1831. Studied Theology with Rev. I. Ingraham. Ordained pastor of Chittenden, Vermont, January 21, 1835; dismissed November 8, 1837. Preached and taught on James' Island, South Carolina, for two years. Returned to Chittenden as acting pastor May 5, 1839, remaining till January, 1841. Acting pastor at Winooski, Vermont, for about one year. Taught in Milton, Vermont, one year from May, 1842. Acting pastor at Alburg, Vermont, from August, 1843, till May, 1846. Re-instated at Chittenden, Vermont, December 1, 1846; dismissed August 15, 1854. Acting pastor at Langdon, from September, 1854, till 1856. Commenced his labors at Algona, Iowa, April 20, 1856, just as the first settlers were laying out the town. Installed over this church (which he organized in 1858), September 8, 1867; dismissed June 25, 1873. While in this place, besides preaching, he taught singing school, acted as Superintendent of schools for the County, and as County Judge. Died in Algona, Iowa, February 29, 1876.

EUGENE HENRY TITUS, without charge. Born in Stockbridge, Vermont, November 16, 1834; son of Alden W. and Emeline (Brown) Titus. Graduated at Williams College in 1862; and at Andover Theological Seminary in 1865. Ordained pastor over Dane Street church, Beverly, Massachusetts, February 15, 1866; dismissed January 16, 1867. Installed over First Church, Bethel, Maine, June 1, 1859, where he had supplied nine months previously; dismissed December 6, 1870. Installed at Farmington, April 29, 1873; dismissed March 8, 1876, though he closed his labors in October, 1874. Removed to Georgetown, Massachusetts, where he died July 21, 1876, thus ending a ministry often interrupted, and constantly impeded, by ill health.

HENRY BEMAN UNDERWOOD, acting pastor, Algona, Iowa. Born in Poughkeepsie, New York, December 25, 1839; son of Rev. Almon and Henrietta (Platt) Underwood. Graduated at Williams College in 1862; and at Andover Theological Seminary in 1865. Ordained at Ringwood, Illinois, January 19, 1866, over which church, in connection with the one in Greenwood, Illinios, he was acting pastor till 1867. Acting pastor at East Longmeadow, Massachusetts, 1867–8; at Marlborough, for a few months, in 1869; at Baxter Springs, Kansas, from 1869 to 1871. Installed Hillsborough Bridge, March 7, 1871; dismissed July 7, 1872. Acting pastor at Algona, Iowa, from September 1, 1874, where he died, September 2, 1875.

AARON WARNER, D.D., without charge. Born in Northampton, Massachusetts, October 20, 1794; son of Joseph and ——— Warner. Entered the Sophomore class in Williams College, and graduated 1815. Graduated at Andover Theological Seminary, 1819. City Missionary, Charlestown, South Carolina, 1819–1823. Ordained Evangelist, Salem, Massachusetts, September 25, 1823. Installed pastor of Second Church, Medford, Massachusetts, September 1, 1824; dismissed October 10, 1832. Appointed, February, 1835, Professor of Sacred Rhetoric in Gilmanton Theological Seminary; resigned November, 1843. Professor of Rhetoric, Oratory and English Literature in Amherst College, 1844–1853. Received degree of Doctor of Divinity from Amherst College in 1860. Resided in Amherst, without charge, till his death, May 14, 1876.

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OF CONGREGATIONAL AND PRESBYTERIAN MINISTERS RESIDENT IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE, IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, WITH THE POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF EACH, AND WITH THE CONFERENCE OR ASSOCIATION, OR BOTH, WITH WHICH EACH ONE IS CONNECTED.

Names preceded by a * are those neither serving churches, nor connected with Associations.

Name.	*Post Office.*	*Conference.*	*Association.*
Abbott, Ephraim E. P.,	Newport.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Adams, John,	Hillsboro' Center.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Aiken, James,	Haverhill.		Orange.
*Alden, Lucius,	Newcastle.		
Aldrich, Jeremiah K.,	Rye.	Rockingham.	
Alvord, Frederic,	Nashua.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Austin, Lewis A.,	Plainfield.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Ayer, Franklin D.,	Concord.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Ayers, Walter H.,	Lebanon.		White River.
Bacon, William F.,	Laconia.	Strafford.	Belknap.
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*Barker, Nathaniel,	Wakefield.		
Bartlett, Joseph,	South Newmarket.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
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Beckwith, George A.,	Troy.		†
Benedict, Arthur J.,	Gorham.	Coos.	
Benson, Almon,	Center Harbor.		Belknap.
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Bisbee, Marvin D.,	Fishersville.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
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Blake, Jeremiah, M.D.,	Gilmanton I. W.		Suncook.
Blake, Joseph, D.D.,	Gilmanton.	Strafford.	Belknap.
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Blakely, Quincy,	Campton.	Grafton.	Belknap.
Bouton, Nathaniel, D.D.,	Concord.		Merrimack.
Bowker, Samuel,	Salem.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Bragdon, John,	New Boston.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Bremner, David,	*Boxford, Mass.*	Rockingham.	
Brickett, Harry,	Hillsboro' Bridge.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
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Burnham, Abraham,	East Concord.	Merrimack.	Merrimack,
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Campbell, Henry F.,	Concord.		Hollis.
Carpenter, E. Irvin,	Swanzey.	Cheshire,	Monadnock.
Carr, William O.,	Barnstead Parade.	Strafford.	Suncook.
Chandler, Frederic D.,	Kensington.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Chapin, George F.	Alstead.	Chesh. & Sul.	Monadnock.
Chapman, Jacob,	Kingston.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Child, Alexander C.,	Orfordville.	Grafton.	Orange.
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Clark, Frank G.,	Rindge.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Clark, John,	Plymouth.		Belknap.
Clark, Sumner,	Wakefield.		
Clark, William, D.D.,	Amherst.		Hollis.
Clarke, William L. S.,	Temple.	Hillsboro'.	
Clarke, Samuel W.,	Milton.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Cleveland, Edward,	Bath.		Orange.
Coan, Leander S.,	Alton.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Cochrane, Warren R.,	Antrim.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
*Cogswell, Elliot C.,	Northwood.		
Colburn, Henry H.,	Washington.	Sul. & Chesh.	Monadnock.
Colby, John,	Fitzwilliam.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Colwell, John W.,	West Concord.	Merrimack.	
Conant, Liba,	Orford,		Belknap.
Connell, David,	Plymouth.		‡

† Southern Association, Kansas. ‡ Orleans Association, Vt.

Name.	*Post Office.*	*Conference.*	*Association.*
Cook, Jonathan B.,	Hebron.	Grafton.	Merrimack.
Curtice, Corban,	Tilton.		Merrimack.
Davis, Franklin,	Newington.		Piscataqua.
Davis, Josiah G., D.D.,	Amherst.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Doldt, James,	Canterbury.	Merrimack.	
Dowden, William H.,	East Jaffrey.	Cheshire.	
Downs, Charles A.,	Lebanon.		Sullivan.
Drake, Samuel S.,	Sullivan.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Dustan, George,	Peterborough.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Dutton, John M.,	Lebanon.	Grafton.	
Eastman, Edward P.,	Ossipee Centre,	Strafford.	
Emerson, Brown H.,	Thornton's Ferry.	Hillsboro'.	
Fiske, Albert W.,	Fisherville.		Merrimack.
Flanders, Charles N.,	Westmoreland Depot.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Foss, George A.,	Chichester.	Merrimack.	Merrimack
Freeman, Joseph A.,	Boscawen.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Gay, Joshua S.,	Center Harbor.	Strafford.	Belknap.
Gay, William M.,	Thornton's Ferry.		†
Gerould, Samuel L.,	Goffstown.	Hillsboro'.	Derry & M.
Goodwin, Daniel,	Mason.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Goodyear, George,	Temple.		Hollis.
Gould, Mark,	Nelson.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Grant, Benj. F.,	Newcastle.	Rockingham.	
Greeley, Edward H.,	Concord.		Merrimack.
Greeley, Stephen S. N.,	Gilmanton Center.	Merrimack.	
Hadley, James B.,	Campton.		Belknap.
Haines, Thomas V.,	Northampton.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Haley, Frank,	Seabrook.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
*Hall, Jeffries,	Chesterfield.		
Harlow, Lincol.,	Londeborough.	Hillsboro'.	
Harmon, Elijah,	Winchester.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Harrington, Charles E.,	Lancaster.	Coos.	
Harris, Leonard W.,	Colebrook.		Lancaster.
Haskell, Ezra,	Dover.	Strafford,	Piscataqua.
Haskins, Robert W.,	Derry.	Rockingham.	Derry & M.
Hayward, Silvanus,	Gilsum.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Hibbard, David S.,	Loudon.	Merrimack.	Belknap.
Holbrook, Amos,	Harrisville.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Holman, Morris,	Antrim.		Union.
Holmes, James,	Bennington.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Houghton, Charles E.,	Auburn.	Rockingham.	
Hubbard, Charles L.,	Reed's Ferry.	Hillsboro'.	Derry & M.
Huntress, Edward S.,	East Derry.	Rockingham.	Derry & M.
Jackson, James T.,	Cornish Flat.	Sullivan,	Sullivan.
Jackson, William C.,	Brentwood.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Jenness, George O.,	Wakefield.	Strafford.	
*Jennison, Edwin,	Winchester.		
Jewett, William R.,	Concord.		Merrimack.
Kelsey, Hiram L.,	Hollis.	Hillsboro'.	
Kendall, Henry A.,	East Concord.		Merrimack.
Kinne, George W.,	Bath.	Grafton.	Sullivan.
Knowlton, Francis B.,	Orford.	Grafton.	Orange.
Labaree, Benjamin, D.D.,	Charlestown.		‡
Ladd, Horatio O.,	Plymouth.		Belknap.
Leach, Giles,	Meredith.		Belknap.
Leach, Joseph A.,	Keene.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
LeBosquet, John,	Lempster.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
*Lee, Samuel,	New Ipswich.		
Leeds, Samuel P., D.D.,	Hanover.	Grafton.	White River.
Lees, John W.,	Lee.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Litch, J. Lincoln,	*McIndoe's Falls, Vt.*	Grafton.	
Lovejoy, George E.,	Candia.	Rockingham.	Derry & M.
*Manning, Abel,	Goffstown.		
Marden, Augustus L.,	Piermont.	Grafton.	Orange.
Marshall, James,	Acworth.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Martyn, Sanford S.,	Nashua.		Hollis.
McClenning, Daniel B.,	Concord.		Union.
Melvin, Charles T.,	Atkinson.	Rockingham.	Derry & M.
Merriam, George F.,	Greenville.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Merrill, John L.,	Marlboro'.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.

† Brookfield Association, Mass. ‡ Suffolk So., Mass., Association.

Name.	*Post Office.*	*Conference.*	*Association.*
Milliken, Charles E.,	Littleton.	Coos.	Orange.
Moody, Howard,	East Andover.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Moore, Albert W.,	Bristol.	Grafton.	
Morse, George H.,	Henniker.		Merrimack.
Norcross, S. Girard,	North Conway.	Strafford.	
Noyes, Daniel J., D.D.,	Hanover.		White River.
Otis, Israel T.,	Exeter.		Piscataqua.
Packard, Charles,	Windham.	Rockingham.	Derry & M.
Page, Jesse,	Atkinson.		Derry & M.
Palmer, A. Benson,	South Weare.	Hillsboro'.	
Palmer, Charles M.,	Meriden.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Parker, Henry E.,	Hanover.		White River.
Partridge, Samuel H., M.D.,	Greenfield.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Patten, William A.,	Kingston.		Piscataqua,
Peabody, Albert B.,	Stratham.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Perkins, Frederic T.,	Tilton.	Merrimack.	
Pert, Luther B.,	Londonderry.	Rockingham.	Derry & M.
Pierce, George, jr.,	Milford.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Pierce, George J.,	Wentworth.	Grafton.	
Pitkin, Paul H.,	Farmington.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Pratt, Theodore C.,	Hancock.	Hillsboro.'	Merrimack.
*Pulsifer, Daniel,	Danbury.		
Quick, Abram J.,	Rochester.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Rand, William A.,	South Seabrook.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Rand, William H.,	Manchester.		Derry & M.
Rich, Alonzo B., D.D.,	West Lebanon.	Grafton.	White River.
Richardson, Cyrus,	Keene.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Richardson, Gilbert B.,	East Alstead.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Roberts, Thomas E.,	Keene.		Monadnock.
Robie, Edward, D.D.,	Greenland.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Robie, Thomas S.,	Walpole.	Cheshire.	Hollis.
Rodgers, Levi,	Claremont.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Rogers, George,	Gilmanton I. W.	Strafford.	
Rood, Heman, D.D.,	Hanover.		White River.
Runnels, Moses T.,	Sanbornton.	Strafford,	Belknap.
Sargent, Frank D.,	Brookline.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
*Saunderson, Henry H.,	Charlestown.		
*Sawyer, Daniel,	Hopkinton,		
Scofield, William C.,	Salisbury.	Merrimack.	
Scott, George H.,	Plymouth.	Grafton,	Belknap.
*Seabury, Edwin,	Walpole.		
Seldon, Edward G.,	Manchester.	Hillsboro'.	Derry & M.
Seymour, Bela N.,	New Ipswich.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Shattuck, Amos F.,	Hollis.		Hollis.
Smith, Asa D., D.D.,	Hanover.		White River.
Smith, George,	Danbury.	Grafton.	Merrimack.
Smith, Isaiah P.,	Dover.	Strafford.	Merrimack.
*Smith, John C.,	Winchester.		
Spalding, George B.,	Dover.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Spear, William E.,	Dunbarton,	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Stearns, Josiah H.,	Epping,	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Stone, Clarendon A.,	Hopkinton.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Stone, Edward P.,	Pembroke.	Merrimack.	
Street, George E.,	Exeter.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Talbot, Henry L.,	Durham.	Strafford.	
Tappan, Charles L.,	Sandwich.	Strafford.	Belknap.
Tenney, Charles,	Chester.	Rockingham.	Derry & M.
Thompson, George W.,	Stratham.		Piscataqua.
Thurston, Henry W. L.,	Goshen.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Tilton, George H.,	Wolfeborough.	Strafford.	
Tracy, Caleb B.,	Wilmot.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Tyson, Ira C.,	Bedford.	Hillsboro'.	Derry & M.
Wallace, Cyrus W., D.D.,	Manchester.	Hillsboro'.	Derry & M.
Watson, Albert,	Hampstead.	Rockingham.	Derry & M.
Watson, Charles C.,	Hinsdale.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Webb, Stephen W.,	Great Falls.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Wells, Rufus P.,	Mason.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Wetherby, Charles,	Nashua.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
White, Isaac C.,	Newmarket.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
White, Lyman,	Deerfield.	Rockingham.	Merrimack.
Willey, Isaac,	Pembroke.		Merrimack.
Wood, Horace,	Gilsum.		Monadnock.
Woodwell, William H.,	Mont Vernon.	Hillsboro'.	
Wright, George F.,	Northwood.	Rockingham.	

NAMES

OF MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATIONS RESIDING IN OTHER STATES, WITH THE ASSOCIATION TO WHICH EACH BELONGS.

Name.	*Post office.*	*Association.*
Adams, Daniel E.,	Ashburnham, Mass.	Hollis.
Barrows, John O.,	Western Turkey.	Piscataqua.
Bullard. Ebenezer W.,	Stockbridge, Mass.	Derry& Manchester.
Burbank, Justin E.,		Monadnock.
Case, Rufus,	Hubbardstown, Mass.	Monadnock.
Clark, Edward W.,	Westboro', Mass.	Sullivan.
Clark, Sereno D.,	No. Somerville, Mass.	Hollis.
Dickinson, William E.,	Chicopee, Mass.	Monadnock.
Ferris, Leonard Z.,	Gorham, Me.	Piscataqua.
Gates, Matthew A.,	St. Johnsbury, Vt.	Merrimack.
Hall, Robert B.,	Cambridgeport, Mass.	Piscataqua.
Hartshorne, Vaola J.	Hyannis, Mass.	White River.
Keeler, Seth H., D.D.,	Somerville, Mass.	Hollis.
Morrill, Stephen S.,	Harvard, Mass.	Merrimack.
Parsons, Ebenezer G.,	Byfield, Mass.	Derry& Manchester.
Pond, Benjamin W.,	Washington, D. C.	Piscataqua.
Richards, Austin, D.D.,	Boston, Mass.	Hollis.
Stone, Baman N.,	Fryeburg, Me.	Suncook.
Stone, Harvey M.,	Worthington, Mass.	Piscataqua.
Tenny, Erdix, D.D.,	Westboro', Mass.	Orange.

REMARKS UPON THE STATISTICS.

The year, only, of the organization of the churches is given; the month and day can be ascertained by reference to Rev. H. A. Hazen's "Ministry and Churches of New-Hampshire," a copy of which should be in the archives of every church. This work is our authority in cases of doubt.

The ministers named against the churches are those, so far as could be ascertained, who were in office, September 1st. The Statistical Secretary would be aided in his work, if promptly informed of all ministerial changes, with the dates.

The statistics of the churches show their standing, June 1st. The average Sabbath School attendance is given this year for the first time.

Ministers without charge are omitted under the conferences, as they are not members; their names will be found in a list by themselves, following the statistics.

A second table, which will explain itself, is given this year for the first time. The reports furnished for this are not as full as for the first table, but it is hoped, in future, that it will be made more nearly complete.

The value of statistics depends, largely, upon their accuracy Most of our churches make complete and accurate returns; but it is evident that some are made up with little care. For example: the difference between the removals and the additions of this year, added or subtracted from the total membership given last year, should be the total membership this year. A slight comparison of the tables will, in many instances, show that this is not the case. There have been nine hundred twenty-five additions above all removals; but, according to the returns, we are only five hundred ninety-one stronger. Thus three hundred thirty-four are lost.

The treasurers of the various societies acknowledge the receipt of $45,798.71 from June 1, 1875, to May 31, 1876: the churches have returned $36,795.70. It thus appears we have contributed $9,003.01 *more* than we have given ourselves credit for.

The Statistical Secretary will be glad to be notified of any mistakes or errors that may be discovered, that they may be avoided in future.

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DISCOURSE.

Church and state are among the most significant and comprehensive words in the English language. Their etymology connects the apostolic age with our own. Their history includes almost everything that was worthy of record, since the advent of Christ. An exhaustive definition of the two words, would reveal to every human being, his whole duty as a citizen and Christian.

The conflicting claims of church and state have given birth to more battles, both with the sword and pen, than all other human interests combined. Christianity came to the Anglo-Saxons from Rome. The first missionaries, sent by pope Gregory, landed in Kent, A. D. 597; but, strange to say, the word "church" preceded them in its Northern march. It was first received by the Goths, on the lower Danube, from Constantinople; and these Goths, who were converted to Christianity by Bishop Ulphilas, about A. D., 350, lent the word to other German tribes; and among them, to the ancestors of the English Saxons.

"Church" is formed from an adjective derived from the Greek word "Kurios," and means, pertaining to the Lord; or, when applied to an edifice, the house of the Lord. The old Saxons spelled it "circe," sounding the "c" like "k," which pronunciation the Scotch retain in their word "Kirk," and the Germans, in "Kirche." In its infancy it was an association of men who held like opinions, believed the same religious truths and entertained similar sentiments and feelings. Says Guizot: "The first Christians met together to enjoy their common emotions, their common religious convictions. At this time, we find no settled form of doctrine, no settled rules of discipline, no body of magistrates." They were morally governed by men among them of superior ability. But no society can long exist without rules. This union of believers had doctrines to teach, precepts to enforce, promises to promulgate; hence, they formed an ecclesias-

tical government, choosing their most worthy men to preside in their assemblies, whom they named elders, overseers and deacons. At the beginning of the sixth century, the organization of the church was complete; and its ministers were importuned to assume temporal as well as spiritual power, because they were the best educated and most worthy men in every community.

From this period, for a thousand years, the church and the state became antagonistic; each sought to engross the entire wealth, power and magnificence of Christendom. Popes and kings contended, with tongue and pen; with bows and bills, for the right of investiture. Emperors could not appoint their own cabinets without the consent of the pope; and archbishops were often made royal chancellors and premiers. At the beginning of the sixteenth century, came the convulsions of the Reformation, which, like the explosion of a magazine, rent and shattered the walls of the stately structure which wily and ambitious priests had reared round the Christian church. Germany was, in consequence, devastated by war and drenched in blood; England was torn by civil dissensions in church and state; and, for three hundred years, men were oftener asking, with anxious solicitude, "what shall I believe?" rather than "what shall I do?" A host of contending sects arose, each claiming the exclusive right of dictating the public faith. Conservatives and reformers waged a war of extermination against each other. The victors retained and enjoyed the spoils; the vanquished submitted or emigrated.

Most of the American colonies were united by religious ties. Pilgrims and Puritans occupied New England. The Plymouth colony of Pilgrims was far less influential than that of the Puritans of Massachusetts. The latter colony has left the impress of her institutions on nearly one half the states of our Union. All the American colonies brought with them, in some form, the conviction that the state should support the church. In most of the new constitutions, religious tests were inserted. In New-Hampshire, to-day, a man can not legally hold any important office who is not of the protestant religion. "It belongs to American Liberty," says Lieber, "to separate entirely from the

political government, the institution which has for its object the support and diffusion of religion." This is, now, theoretically, true; but, it has required the labor of a whole century to undo the heavy burdens which the union of church and state imposed upon the people. In Massachusetts, the church was a spiritual Republic, and it was, for many years, the duty of the civil magistrate to execute its decrees. In the first Congress, held at Philadelphia, John Adams declared, "that a change in the solar system might be expected as soon as a change in the ecclesiastical system of Massachusetts." In all the old thirteen colonies, at the period of the Revolution, there existed an abiding conviction that the state should provide for the support of religion. The ablest divines in New England uttered such sentiments as these: "that in a flourishing and respectable civil state, the worship of God must be maintained;" "that the laws for maintaining public worship and decently supporting the teachers of religion are absolutely necessary to the well being of society;" "that the restraints of religion would be broken down, by leaving the subject of public worship to the humors of the multitude;" "that a government that should neglect to punish profaneness and impiety and provide for the support of the public worship of God, would be guilty of a daring affront to Heaven." Still later, even Judge Story, a Unitarian, doubted whether a free government can be permanent, where the public worship of God and the support of religion constitute no part of the policy or duty of the State."

At the beginning of the Revolution, the Congregationalists, though confined mostly to New England, were the most numerous and influential body of Christians. Their clergy were the standing order, were settled or dismissed by the major vote of the towns where they officiated, and were more reverenced by the people than the magistrates.* They numbered seven hun-

*President Quincy has written the following description of a scene at Andover, Mass., about the beginning of this century. It is Sunday morning. "The whole space before the meeting-house was filled with a waiting, respectful and expecting multitude. At the moment of service, the pastor (Rev. Jonathan French), issued from his mansion, with Bible and manuscript sermon under one arm and his wife leaning on the other flanked by his negro man, on his side, as his wife was by her negro woman, the little negroes being distributed according to their sex, by the side of their respective parents. Then folllowed every other member of the family, according to age and rank, making, often with family visitants a somewhat formidable procession. As soon as it appeared, the congregation, as if led by one spirit began to move towards the door of the church, and before the procession reached it, all were in their seats. As soon as the pastor entered, the whole congregation rose and stood until he was in the pulpit and his family seated."

dred churches. Their ministers were learned men, either graduates of Harvard and Yale or of foreign Universities. The Baptists ranked next in numbers. They were scattered through the colonies and were especially numerous in Virginia. They had about three hundred churches. They did not differ from the Congregationalists in church organization, nor in doctrine, except in the practice of immersion.* They discouraged an educated ministry, and held "that every brother that is qualified by God has a right to preach according to the measure of faith." The Church of England held the next place. It was the oldest religious body in the colonies. The wealth and social distinction of its members gave that denomination great power, especially in the Southern states. Their clergymen were, usually, ordained in the old country. The Revolution almost annihilated these churches by separating them from state support. In Virginia, Patrick Henry "hurled the hot thunderbolts of his wrath against the tithe gathering clergy," in New England, where congregationalism held exclusive sway, public sentiment discouraged its continuance.

The Presbyterians, at the Revolution, were almost as numerous as the Episcopalians, having about three hundred churches, chiefly in the Middle states. They had a strong and vigorous church government, a severe and rigid theology and a learned ministry. The prejudice in that church against written sermons was so great that, up to the close of the last century, "a man's reputation would be ruined, should his manuscript be seen." Several other denominations then existed, as the Dutch Reformed, the German Reformed and the Lutheran, each numbering about sixty churches. In 1776, the population of the colonies was estimated at three and a half millions, with less than two thousand churches, or one minister for seventeen hundred souls. In 1870, the population had increased to thirty-eight millions,

*In the Baptist historical volume edited by Rev. Dr. Moss, we find what is probably as accurate an estimate of the strength of the denomination as can be had. The statistics given show that the Baptists have increased from 35,000 members in 1776, to 1,815,300 in 1875. Those in all other countries of the world only amount to a total of 400,000, nearly half of whom are in England. The increase has been most remarkable in the Southern States; for while the 4,500 in Massachusetts have increased to 45,000 in a hundred years, the 14,990 of Virginia are now 169,310, and the 428 of Georgia have grown to 174,543! Kentucky follows with 144,267, and North Carolina with 113,414; then come New York and Tennessee, nearly equal. Almost half the Baptists of the United States are found within six adjoining Southern States. They have now 80 educational institutions of all kinds, and 21,255 churches.

the churches to seventy-two thousand, or one for about five hundred of the population.

The denominations then ranked, in members, in the following order: 1, Methodists; 2, Baptists; 3, Presbyterians; 4, Roman Catholics; 5, Christians; 6, Lutherans; 7, Congregationalists; 8, Protestant Episcopalians. Our own church, in a century, had fallen from the first to the seventh in rank. The aggregate sum of church property, owned by all denominations, was estimated, in 1870, at three hundred and fifty-four millions of dollars.* A tax, levied on this sum, would yield, to the several states, a large revenue. The property belonging to five hundred and forty-five colleges and other Institutions conferring degrees, would probably equal that owned by the churches; and if libraries be included, would far exceed it. It is estimated that Cambridge college alone, would, if taxed, be obliged to pay to the state, sixty thousand dollars annually, a sum nearly equal to the entire income of the colony, when they founded the college, only ten years after their arrival in Boston. This fact shows what the church has done for New England; for this college which has been the model of most of the colleges, since founded, was the offspring of the Puritan church. But it is not necessary, here and now, to speak of Pilgrims or Puritans. Their record is known wherever the muse of history has a worshiper; I was about to say, wherever the sun shines or rain falls.

EARLY CHURCHES OF NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

The energetic proprietors of New-Hampshire and Maine were not moved to plant colonies in the wilderness to extend the area of freedom or promote the interests of religion, but to aggrandize their houses and increase their private fortunes. Mason and Gorges were not democrats but royalists; not Puritans but cavaliers; not Independents but Episcopalians. The men they hired to fell the trees, till the soil, fish, hunt and mine, in the new world, were not exiles for conscience' sake, but from love of gain. No provision was made by masters or servants for the preaching of the gospel. No man cared for their souls. The first churches were formed at Hampton and Exeter. Hampton

*The Statistics, here cited, are from a very able article, in the N. A. Review, for Jan., 1876.

claims precedence in time; for, when the place was incorporated as a plantation, in 1635, some of the grantees were already "united together by church government." "The original members of the church and the first settlers of the town, generally, were Puritans; many of them were from the county of Norfolk, England, where Christians of this class were very numerous." They brought a pastor with them. They soon erected a church of logs, where, literally shrouded "in a dim religious light," they paid their vows to the Most High. The first pastor of this first-born church of a new state, and the father of the town, was Rev. Stephen Bachiler, an ancestor, on the mother's side, of Daniel Webster. The settlement at Exeter, the same year, began its existence by the organizing of a church and the founding of a state. Eight members of the church of Boston followed Rev. John Wheelwright in his compulsory exile, and at once formed themselves into the first church of Exeter. These were all Calvinists of the straitest sect. Thus the leaven of Puritanism was hidden in two of the four rising towns of New-Hampshire; and in process of time, through the influence of Massachusetts, the whole lump was leavened. The History of the New-Hampshire Churches, by Rev. R. F. Lawrence, gives a graphic account of the origin of the first church in Portsmouth. I will quote a passage: "'Therefore, Honorable and worthy countrymen,' said Captain Smith to the New-Hampshire colonists, 'let not the meanness of the word *fish* distaste you, for it will afford you as good gold as the mines of Potosi, with less hazard and charge, and more certainty and facility.' This discloses, in the briefest manner, the origin of Portsmouth, for that lofty and self-forgetting devotion to great principles which baptized many of the early settlements lining the New England coast never set its seal on the brow of Strawberry Bank. The first colonists, fishmongers of London, more intent on trade than religion, arrived three years after the Pilgrims at Plymouth. They first settled at Little Harbor, nor was it until seven years that houses began to dot the ridge which ran along from Pitts street to Chapel Hill, then called 'the Bank.' Here the church, with its wholesome discipline and heavenly comforts, found no early home. Though a chapel and parsonage seem to have been

built, no regular provision was made for a settled ministry until 1640, when twenty of the inhabitants deeded to some church wardens fifty acres for a glebe." The first preacher was Richard Gibson. "He was wholly addicted to the hierarchy and discipline of England, and exercised his ministerial function according to the ritual." He remained in office but a short time, and was succeeded by several temporary preachers till the people built a new meeting-house, and, in 1658, called and settled Rev. Joshua Moodey from Massachusetts. He was a devout, earnest and impressive preacher; yet the original tendencies of the colonists were so strong that it required thirteen years of assiduous labor for him to gather a church. Finally, in 1661, the civil authorities invited several churches to assist in the formation of the first church in Portsmouth, and "in the ordination of officers therein."

Dover was settled in 1623; after the lapse of seven years, only three houses had been erected. Its progress was very slow for ten years, and, during all that time, there was no public religious instruction. After the territory passed into the hands of Puritan owners, they sent out from the west of England some colonists "of good estate and of some account for religion," and with them a minister of their own faith. William Leveridge, an Oxford graduate, "an able and worthy Puritan minister," came to Dover in 1633, and remained about two years; then, for want of adequate support, removed to Boston. He was succeeded by George Burdett, a churchman, politician and an intriguing demagogue. His popular talents made him governor, and, in that capacity, he opened a correspondence with Archbishop Laud, the bitter enemy of the Puritans. He not only deceived the people over whom he ruled, but violated the laws he had sworn to execute. He committed a heinous crime, in consequence of which he left the Plantation and went to Agamenticus, in Maine. In July, 1638, Hanserd Knollys, a graduate of Cambridge, came to Boston. He had received episcopal ordination, but had joined the Puritan party. At the invitation of "some of the more religious," he came to Dover. Dr. Quint thus states the condition of affairs when he arrived:

"When Knollys came to Dover, in 1638, he found a settlement origi-

nated under Episcopal auspices, though enlarged under other influences; a people mixed in their character, none of them emigrants for conscience' sake, and none of them Puritans of the Bay type; the settlement a refuge for men who could not endure the Massachusetts rigor; no church organized after fifteen years of colonial life, and a minister who, in spirit a churchman, was corresponding with Archbishop Laud, and who was supported by a portion of the people. 'Of some of the best minded' Knollys gathered a church. But it was in the midst of a people who had generally no love for Puritanism. Burdett left the town, but 'another churchman,' Larkham, came in, and by appealing to the looser elements succeeded in superseding Knollys."

Such was the origin of the first four churches of New-Hampshire.

CONGREGATIONALISM IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

The first ministers of New-Hampshire, as before stated, were settled by major vote of the town in which they officiated. This mode of settlement continued till 1819, when the rights of other denominations were acknowledged, and church and state, or rather town and state, were separated. The number of Congregational and Presbyterian churches now in the state is one hundred ninety-four; only six of these are Presbyterian. Sixty-nine towns have no clergyman belonging to either of these two denominations. The Methodists and Baptists are annually gaining upon the Congregationalists, and probably will soon equal them in the number of churches though they will scarcely equal them in membership during the present century. The Methodists now have one hundred twenty-three churches; the Freewill Baptists one hundred twenty-one. The original Baptists number thirty-five. Of the other ten demoninations that are established in the state, the number ranges from one to twenty-two churches.

The early ministers of the Congregational order were men of mark in their respective towns, thoroughly educated and well grounded in the doctrines of the so-called orthodox theology. The first convention of Congregational ministers was held at Exeter, July 20, 1747. Their object was to promote harmony, peace and good order among the churches; and to secure unity of belief and efficiency of action among the ministers of the province. Seventeen clergymen obeyed the summons, which

was issued by a private conference of a few leading men. At their first meeting they deemed it inexpedient to make any declaration of faith with respect to points of doctrine. They reached, in part, that result negatively, by enumerating the prevailing theological errors of the day. They resolved, First, "That we will, to the best of our ability, both in our public ministrations and private conversations, maintain and promote the great and important doctrines of the Gospel, according to the form of sound words delivered to us by Christ and his apostles;" Second, "That we will take particular notice of several doctrinal errors which have more remarkably discovered themselves of late in several places, among some persons who would seem zealous of religion: 1st, That saving faith is nothing but a persuasion that Christ died for me, in particular; 2d, That morality is not of the essence of Christianity; 3d, That God sees no sin in His children; 4th, That believers are justified from eternity; 5th, That no unconverted person can understand the meaning of the Scriptures; 6th, That sanctification is no evidence of justification; and that we will be very frequent in opposing these errors and in inculcating those truths with which they militate." They also agree to discourage uneducated men from entering the ministry, and to oppose all unwarrantable intrusion by persons who are not legally authorized to exercise the functions of a minister. They also advise frequent visits and interchange of views among pastors, and to withhold recommendations from all candidates who are not licensed by some association. They appointed a committee to confer with the church in Durham respecting some reported disorder among its members. At an adjourned meeting the committee reported that a portion of the church had separated from the original organization and were holding meetings at which very disorderly, vile and absurd things were practiced, such as "profane singing and dancing, damning the devil, spitting in the faces of persons whom they apprehended not to be of their society, and other similar acts to the dishonor of God and scandal of religion." They were unable then, to gain a hearing from the separatists.

In 1750, they opened a correspondence with English Congre-

gationalists. They are called by them "Brethren of the Dissenting Interest in England." An interesting correspondence followed, revealing a strong sympathy between the English Dissenters and the New-Hampshire Congregationalists.

At their annual meeting at Hampton, September 25, 1754, they discussed the proper subjects to be enforced in their respective pulpits. They agreed to preach once a quarter upon the following subjects: 1st, Carelessness in religion; 2d, Family religion and government; 3d, Sabbath breaking; 4th, Intemperance; and on the day of the annual Fast to inculcate as many of these important subjects as possible.

At the annual meeting at Somersworth, September 26, 1758, they petitioned Governor Benning Wentworth to grant a charter for a college, setting forth at large the necessity and utility of such an institution, and expressing the belief that a fund could be raised in the state for the support of the necessary officers. They concluded their memorial by saying: "We are persuaded that if your Excellency will, first of all, favor us with such a charter, we shall be able soon to make use of it for the public benefit; and that your Excellency's name will forever be remembered with honor." By neglecting to grant this reasonable request, the governor lost his only chance of honorable remembrance by posterity. At the same meeting, it was voted that the convention should, for the future, be held annually at Portsmouth, and should be known by the name of the "Convention of Ministers at Portsmouth." The number in attendance was usually about twenty.

In September, 1761, the convention, by their committee, congratulated George III. on his accession to the English throne. The address is remarkable for its loyalty, beginning thus: "We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, ministers of the Congregational churches in and about Portsmouth, the principal town of your Majesty's Province of New-Hampshire, beg leave, from these remote parts of your dominions, upon the first opportunity of our convening, to present before the throne this humble testimony of our loyal duty and affection to your Majesty, whose accession to the British crown gives the highest joy and satisfaction to all his subjects." The whole addess is most

laudatory of his Majesty's character and conduct, and full of warm congratulations on the late success of the British arms. Ten years later, the same body would have been as eloquent in complaints, and as eager to be released from his Majesty's sway as they were at first to welcome it. It is a little singular that such bold and manly advocates of the moral virtues should have indulged in such extravagant compliments to their new sovereign. However, it was the fault of the times. The elder Pitt himself used more fulsome flattery to George III. than his warmest friends were wont to employ; and was constantly casting himself, metaphorically, at the feet of his king.

But we have changed all that. Our age has lost its reverence for official station. At a meeting in July, 1762, a testimonial to the excellent character and remarkable labors of the Rev. Eleazar Wheelock, in founding and supporting Moor's Charity School, in Lebanon, Conn., signed by twenty-five clergymen of that state, was laid before the convention. They say: "We esteem his plan (of educating Indians) to be good; his measures prudently and well concerted; his endowments peculiar, his zeal fervent, his endeavors indefatigable for the accomplishment of this design, and we know no man like-minded who will naturally care for their state. May God prolong his life and make him extensively useful in the kingdom of Christ."

They also give unequivocal testimony to the fidelity, honesty and economy of the Rev. Eleazar Wheelock in managing the funds committed to his care for the education of the Indians. The New-Hampshire convention cordially approved of his work, and recommended it to the good will of churches under their care. They did not, however, attempt to dictate to the public how they should dispose of their contributions for education. They mention "the corporation erected in the Province of Massachusetts Bay" (meaning Harvard College) as claiming their benefactions as fully as the school in Connecticut, designed to educate the aborigines. In September, 1770, the convention sent a memorial to the general assembly, asking aid for missionary labor among the new settlements of the province. They say, in closing their memorial: "It appears to your memorialists that, in many respects, it will be of great advantage to his

Majesty's government, as well as for the benefit of particular properties, and the encouragement of the settlers in the new townships, that some provision be speedily made, whereby the knowledge of Christianity and a sense of their duty to God, their King and Author, may be preserved among those scattered inhabitants of the wilderness." John Wentworth was then governor of the province. The very presentation of such a memorial, with the expectation of aid for itinerant missionaries in the new settlements, reveals the paternal regard which the General Assembly was supposed to entertain for the religious welfare of the people. Such a communication addressed to the legislature at this day would be regarded as entirely irrelevant and possibly hostile to their duties as law-makers. It would at once raise the cry of union of church and state.

In September, 1772, the convention voted to have a collection among themselves, for pious and charitable uses, at their annual meetings. The first collection yielded two pounds seven shillings and six pence, lawful money. This money, with such other contributions as might be made during the year, was appropriated to the education of Mr. Ewer's son, if he should be fouud by their committee, Doctors Langdon, Haven and Stevens, to be worthy of their charity. Before the adjournment, nine shillings and seven pence more were added to the first collection. In the year 1774, Rev. Samuel Langdon, of Portsmouth, was appointed president of Harvard college. An address of congratulation was prepared by a committee, and presented to the reverend Doctor; also filed among their records.. They say in that address, "From the long and intimate connection that has subsisted between us, we think we have reason to expect that your appointment to this honorable station will be an extensive blessing to the country. The prospect of this is sufficient to overbalance that regret which we feel at your removal from our neighborhood." A very devout and grateful response was made by Doctor Langdon, and the record of these transactions is signed by the venerable Jeremy Belknap, as clerk. These facts show us that, at that early day, in the little province of New-Hampshire, there were learned and illustrious ministers of the gospel.

In 1785, we find the following record: "Whereas the civil government appear, at present, disposed to introduce the annual public election by a public religious service, we think it our duty to countenance that laudable disposition of our civil fathers, * * * therefore, *voted unanimously*, that we will, by the leave of Providence, endeavor to meet together on the day of the next election, wherever said election may be, and so on from year to year, and that our brethren of every denomination be invited, by public advertisement, to meet with us on said day." This seems to have given their sanction to the annual election sermons, which were delivered by the most distinguished clergymen of the state, and frequently published, for many years before and after this date.

This abstract of record shows how the clergy of New-Hampshire were employed during the last century. It reveals their creed, conduct and character. It shows, 1st, That they were decided champions of dogmatic theology, and the uncompromising opponents of heresy; 2d, That they were the devoted friends of education; 3d, That they preached morality as an essential element of true religion; 4th, That they appropriated four Sabbaths besides the annual Fast day, to national sins; 5th, That they were, in that day, advisers and counselors of the legislature, as well as petitioners for righteous laws; 6th, That they encouraged the home missionary enterprise, in behalf of the new settlements in the state; 7th, That they, by word and deed, were the leading men of the community, in every measure that appertained to the highest welfare of the people; 8th, That they were almost the only literary men of that period; and that some of them, like Jeremy Belknap and President Langdon, were authors of high repute.

Hon. Joseph B. Walker, of Concord, describing the ministry in New-Hampshire a hundred years ago, says:

"The old New-Hampshire minister was almost invariably a well educated man. The expression, common in the old town charters, 'a learned orthodox minister,' was by no means a conventional one merely. It appears, upon examination, that of the fifty-two settled ministers in the province in 1764, no less than forty-eight were graduates of colleges; while, in the County of Rockingham, thirty-one of the thirty-

two, and perhaps all, had received a liberal education—one at the university of Scotland, one at Yale, and twenty-nine at Harvard.

In 1760, with a population of about 65,000 souls, sixty-eight ministers were registered. A century later, with a population of 315,000, we find 545 churches of all denominations, 194 of the Congregational and Presbyterian order, with 140 active ministers. The whole number of Congregational ministers, who have officiated in the state from its first settlement is 1206.

RISE OF SEPARATE DENOMINATIONS.

As late as 1750, there were only thirty churches of the standing order. Other denominations were then but little known. This fact reveals the slow progress of religion in the state. A small society of Quakers was organized in 1701. The first Baptist church was formed in 1755. Their gain, on an average, till the year 1800, was about one new church annually. An Episcopal chapel was built in Portsmouth* as early as 1638. In May, 1640, a grant of fifty acres of land "for a glebe" was set apart by the governor and inhabitants of Strawberry Bank, and deeded "to Thomas Walford and Henry Sherburne, church wardens, and their successors forever, as feoffees, in trust." A parsonage and the chapel had been previously erected upon the glebe. The prayer-books and communion service were sent over by Captain Mason. The first company who settled at Portsmouth and Dover, were inclined to Episcopacy. Winthrop says: "Some of them were the professed enemies to the ways of our churches." Prior to the beginning of this century, but few Episcopal churches existed in this state. The Methodist were first known in New-Hampshire in 1792. They did not come to New England till after the close of the Revolutionary war.

*"About sixty years ago, President Timothy Dwight, of Yale college, Connecticut, visited Portsmouth, and states in his Book of Travels that the number of dwellings was six hundred and twenty-six, although he thinks that Newmarket was united with it in the enumeration as one district. He says almost all were built of wood. Their contiguity to each other in the compact part of the town he thought very dangerous if fires should occur, as the conflagation might become extensive. But up to that time Portsmouth had not suffered much by fire. We think that not more than a dozen dwellings had been burned, so far as any record appears, and a few other buildings. The jail had been burned, but we have not the date.

President Dwight died in 1817. Before his death he had occasion to learn what ruin fire had caused in this town. That of 1813 was terrible. The light of it was seen twenty-five or thirty miles back in the country.

Sixty years ago there were seven places of worship; now there are ten. One society that existed then, the Sandemanian, has become extinct. Another, the Independent, has also ceased. The Universalist society was then in its infancy, and small. The Methodists had not commenced a stated meeting then. Rev. Doctors Buckminster and Parker were in the full tide of prosperity as pastors of the two Congregational churches. Rev. Hosea Ballou, afterwards very prominent among the Universalists, was preaching to the society of that denomination in this place."

The Freewill Baptists originated in 1780. Elder Benjamin Randall, of New Durham, is their reputed founder; but there is another claimant for this honor. John Shepard, Esq., of Gilmanton, solemnly affirmed, near the close of his life, "that the Freewill system was all opened to his mind by the spirit of God, months before any other person knew it; that he then revealed it, in March, 1780, to Elder Edward Locke and Elder Tozar Lord; and with them spent a week locked up in the house owned by Mr. Piper, of Louden, fasting and praying and seeking the will of God." He also affirmed that they ordained one another; and then went to New Durham and ordained Elder Randall. From this humble origin, the number of the denomination has been constantly increasing. It now has schools, academies, theological seminaries and a college under its control in New England.

The first Universalist society in the state was established at Portsmouth, in 1781. The Christian denomination arose about the beginning of this century. Elder Abner Jones from Vermont is its reputed founder. It is an off-shoot from the Freewill Baptists and is quite numerous in New-Hampshire. There are within the state two families of Shakers, who date their arrival here in 1792.

Fifty years ago* these numerous denominations were very hostile to each other; and much of the preaching of that day was given to sectarian controversies. A better day has dawned upon us; and as partisan zeal is abated, brotherly love has increased.

From 1775 to 1800, the people were so deeply agitated with the Revolution, the new constitution and other great political questions, that religion scarcely occupied their thoughts. There were faithful preachers and devout hearers in those days, but they were a small minority. The Revolutionary war was, in itself, disastrous to religion; but the alliance with France was still more injurious. The opinions of Voltaire found many ad-

*"When Dr. Dwight assumed the presidency of Yale College, there was scarcely a church member among the students, and they were generally proud to wear the names of the French infidels in honor of their assaults upon Christianity. Then, in 1776, there were neither Sunday Schools, nor children's books. There were no religious newspapers; and it was a piece of impertinence to publish religious intelligence in secular journals. There were no foreign missions, and very little of our modern home missionary and home evangelization work".

herents among the officers of the army. The works of Godwin and Thomas Paine were also read with eagerness by the young skeptics of the age. Unbelief became popular, and faithful followers of Christ were pointed at "with the finger of scorn." Near the close of the eighteenth century, revivals of religion became more frequent, the results of them more permanent; and "the churches had rest and were edified." The New-Hampshire Missionary Society, which has been of inestimable advantage in providing the preaching of the gospel for feeble churches and sparse populations, was founded in 1801.

THE TOLERATION ACT.

The Great Teacher said: "Ye cannot serve God and Mammon." Whether the first settlers at Little Harbor and Northam attempted both does not clearly appear; but it is manifest that these representatives of the Laconia Company were not exiles for conscience' sake. They did not come into the wilderness to found churches, but to catch fish, work mines, buy furs, fell trees, and till the soil. The woods and the waters yielded tribute to their industry. The religious element was more strongly developed in Hampton and Exeter, but so long as these four towns made their own laws, the state took precedence of the church. The reverse was true of Massachusetts; and when, in 1641, a political union was effected between these plantations and the colony of Massachusetts, they were exempted from religious tests and allowed an equitable representation in the legislative assembly. During the entire early history of New-Hampshire there was greater freedom of individual opinion, and a more liberal toleration of differences in religion prevailed than in the other New England colonies. Still, that deep-seated conviction which had been the growth and habit of centuries in the old world, that it was the duty of the state to uphold the church, led the people of New-Hampshire to sustain divine worship by law, and to build churches and support a Christian ministry by general taxation. The majority of the colonists were Congregationalists, and the ministers of that denomination were legally constituted "the standing order" in the state. The towns were

empowered by the early legislators, in accordance with the provisions of an English law, to raise money for the support of the gospel; and the people, in town meeting assembled, voted for their spiritual teachers, and assessed themselves for their support. The rise of other religious denominations in the state created great dissatisfaction with this law. They were often compelled to aid in the building of churches which they never entered, to pay for preaching which they never heard, and to support a creed which they did not believe. The Bill of Rights declares "that no person of any particular religious sect or denomination shall ever be compelled to pay towards the support of a teacher or teachers of another persuasion, sect or denomination; and that no subordination of one sect or denomination shall ever be established by law." This plain provision was evaded by requiring a man who refused to pay his tax for the legally appointed clergyman to prove that he belonged to another denomination. This was not always possible to be done. Those who were utterly indifferent to all creeds and "cared for none of these things" were compelled, sometimes by a legal process and distraint of their goods, to contribute to the support of preaching in their respective towns. But one denomination of Christians was recognized by law, till near the beginning of the present century. Prior to 1807, several denominations, by legislative enactments, secured an independent existence, and from that time were no longer "molested" by the collector of taxes. Soon after the accession of Governor Bell to the gubernatorial chair in 1819, the subject was brought before the legislature. The toleration bill met with strenuous opposition. The advocates of the measure could plead the example of other states in relaxing the bonds of uniformity. Connecticut had recently separated church and state with manifest benefit both to morality and religion.

Dr. Lyman Beecher, in his autobiography, speaking of the condition of the "standing order" in that state, says: "The habit of legislation, from the beginning, had been to favor the Congregational order and provide for it. Congregationalism was the established religion. All others were dissenters and complained of favoritism. The ambitious minority early began

to make use of the minor sects, on the ground of invidious distinctions, thus making them restive. So the democracy, as it rose, included nearly all minor sects." The good Doctor labored first with Herculean energy to uphold this time-honored relation of church and state; and, after it was legally annulled, he worked with equal energy to establish the voluntary system. He succeeded, as many other eminent men have done, in refuting his own cherished opinions. When the crisis of separation of church and state had passed, he wrote: "It was as dark a day as ever I saw. The odium thrown upon the ministry was inconceivable. The injury done to the cause of Christ, as we supposed, was irreparable. For several days I suffered what no tongue can tell *for the best thing that ever happened to the state of Connecticut.* It cut the churches loose from dependence on state support. It threw them wholly on their own resources and on God. They say ministers have lost their influence: the fact is, they have gained." In another place, he writes: "The effect when it did come, was just the reverse of the expectation. When the storm burst upon us, indeed, we thought we were dead for a while. Our fears magnified the danger. We were thrown on God and on ourselves, and this created that moral coercion which makes men work. Before, we had been standing on what our fathers had done; but now we were obliged to develop our own energy. The other denominations lost all the advantages they had had before, so that the very thing in which the enemy said, 'raze it, raze it to the foundations,' laid the corner-stone of our prosperity to all generations." *A similar state of feeling prevailed among the clergy of New-Hampshire. They regarded the Toleration Act as a "repeal of the Christian religion," or an "abolition of the Bible;" but when it was once passed, all parties pronounced it a good and wholesome law. Its enforcement was productive of little positive evil and of the highest positive good.

In the unlimited freedom of religious belief which we now enjoy, we can hardly conceive of the persecutions which those who opposed the standing order, suffered in all the New Eng-

*Dr. Beecher wrote doggerel rhymes and published them, in ridicule of *Toleration*. As late as 1820, Ex-president Adams expressed great doubt of the expediency of the Connecticut Toleration Act.

land states, except Rhode Island, up to the beginning of the present century. Episcopacy in England was not more closely wedded to the state than was Congregationalism in Massachusetts. The union was a part of the organic law of the state. In 1834, the Bill of Rights was so altered as to discharge the legislature from all supervision of religion and to separate, forever, the church from the state. Prior to that time, although the laws allowed dissenters from the established order to prove their connection with some other church and receive back the taxes collected of them for the support of Congregationalism, still, with a large majority favoring the dominant party, they rarely succeeded in their suits; for the ablest lawyers in the state were employed by both parties, and they often pleaded before prejudiced juries, and, possibly, before an orthodox court. In 1774, eighteen members of a Baptist Society in Royalston, Mass, were imprisoned in Northampton jail for non-payment of minister's rates, although their legal connection with another church was duly certified. As late as 1770, a tax of four pence a year was required, by law, of every Baptist, exempted from supporting the standing order, as an acknowledgement of the *power* of the Legislature to tax them; and that, too, by the very men who refused to pay three pence a pound tax on tea, to acknowledge England's power to tax the colonies. During the great awakening, in New England, there arose a class of Puritans among Congregationalists, who objected to the half-way covenant, then in vogue, which admitted members to the churches without sufficient evidence of piety, and, strange to say, in 1774, in Connecticut, the goods of men were distrained, and they were cast into prison for refusing to pay for the support of preachers whose ministrations they could not conscientiously attend. In New-Hampshire, a man could avoid paying taxes for the support of a minister he did not approve, by proving that he belonged to another denomination, and this was both difficult and vexatious to be done. Roger Williams established perfect freedom of conscience in Rhode Island. Some disabilities, for a time, were laid upon Catholics; with this single exception, all men were allowed to worship as they pleased, and to pay what they pleased for the support of religion. The world owes to

Roger Williams a debt that has never been properly acknowledged. We may adopt the closing words of Whittier's address to him:

"Still echo, in the hearts of men
The words that thou hast spoken;
No forge of hell can weld again
The fetters thou hast broken."

It is but just to the Puritans, however, to say that the tendency of history for the last fifty years, is to justify the banishment of Roger Williams from Massachusetts. Mr Bancroft and Mr. Palfrey have given reasons for his removal from the plantation, as a disturber of the public peace. Dr. Dexter has recently written a volume vindicating the Puritans and showing that Williams, as a young man, was rash, wilful and contemptuous of authority; and, therefore, not to be tolerated by the Puritans, whose infant Republic could not bear the shock of civil or religious dissensions. "Salus populi, suprema est lex."

During the first two centuries of the history of our state, ministers, like Paul, often labored with their own hands. They owned farms, cultivated them and derived much of their support from them. Men who labored most of the time, during the week days, preached three sermons on the Sabbath and held several religious services during the week. But it must be remembered that the flocks they fed had little knowledge, religious or scientific and were much more easily satisfied than communities at the present day. The people now demand more elaborate discourses and more finished oratory. Manual labor, in early times, was necessary to eke out the salaries of pastors. The towns often gave farms to their ministers, as a part of their yearly stipend. They received, at the beginning of this century, from two to five hundred dollars a year; but much of this was paid in produce; and the assessments made upon people of small means, were often remitted by the ministers. Only fifty years ago, five hundred dollars made a handsome salary for a teacher or pastor. In 1835, the professors in Dartmouth college received only seven hundred dollars a year, and they could purchase as many comforts with that sum as they can now with two thousand dollars. Again, ministers of to-day have less sectarian warfare than those of a century or even a half century ago. The great philanthropic reforms have brought denominations nearer to-

gether; and while warring against a common foe, they have forgotten sectarian feuds. Hence, *duties* are more enforced now than *doctrines*. Science is now the most formidable pulpit foe.

Intemperance is far less prevalent than formerly. It was once common in the churches; now, it scarcely exists at all among professors of religion. When the temperance reform began, it was not safe, in many places, to introduce the subject into the pulpit. About the year 1830, Rev. Mr. Kingsbury of Mont Vernon, passing, one day, near where a company of citizens was building a new road, overtook one of his deacons carrying two pails full of mixed liquor to the laborers. The deacon advised his pastor to go on the old road, because the workmen were so drunk that there was danger of their insulting him. Intemperance caused more church discipline than all other immoralities combined. In country towns of one thousand inhabitants, a hogshead of new rum was often sold in a week, by one merchant. In North Hampton, in a population of six hundred and fifty souls, forty hogsheads of rum were sold at one store every year.

Rev. Jonathan French was settled there in 1801. He found the custom of catechising the children was laid aside, family instruction in religion was neglected; there was no Sunday school; few attended the sacramental lecture; there were no prayer-meetings and a weekly lecture attracted very few hearers. Probably this description would apply, at that date, to a majority of country churches in New-Hampshire. Dr. Thayer, an eminent divine labored thirty-six years in Kingston, with no special revival and left a church, at his death, of only fifteen members. Deacon Stevens was the only male member on the list. Rev. Isaac Smith labored forty-three years in Gilmanton, and added one hundred and fourteen members to his church during that long ministry, but there was no special revival. When Rev. Isaiah Potter was settled at Lebanon, in 1772, it was said that there were not ten revival preachers in the state. During the ministry of Rev. Mr. Bradstreet in Chester, from 1793 to 1815, the church diminished from thirty male members to eleven, which caused a quarrel and a separation between the pastor and his people. During the ministry of the learned and eloquent

Dr. Langdon, for seventeen years, in Hampton Falls, only eleven were received to the church on profession of their faith. Such cases of declension were common in those days. About the year 1830, protracted meetings began to be held, from three to twenty days, in most of the towns of New-Hampshire. They performed a work similar to that of the Young Men's Christian Association in our day. "And so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily."

Some of those churches that once flourished have declined or become extinct. The reasons and results of this mournful fact, I quote, in substance, from the pen of the able and efficient Secretary of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society. They have become poor that others through their poverty might be made rich. They have been not less, but more fruitful than others. They have educated a noble band of the best Christian workers of the time; but these have left the old altars and firesides to do their work elsewhere. It is a sad and yet a glorious tale that they will tell you, as you go from one town to another. They are bereft of their sons, but they have no occasion to mourn; they are cast down but not destroyed. The town of Colebrook furnished the colonists that settled Beloit and made it, with its flourishing college, the centre of moral and intellectual power for the great North West. Hanover Centre has furnished, on an average, one educated man annually, for the last three quarters of a century; among them, the Wrights, Fosters and others equally worthy of mention. Hollis alone has furnished forty men for the gospel ministry; and even Croydon, with scarcely enough church members left to tell the tale, has sent fourteen of her sons from home, as heralds of the cross. It is from these decaying communities that the Websters, the Woodburys, the Casses, the Bells, the Athertons, the Dixes and Fessendens came forth, "to govern men and guide the state." Many of the leading churches of New England are indebted to these churches among the hills for much of their strength and power. As the manufactories of Manchester, Lowell and Lawrence owe their existence to the streams that run among the hills, in Northern New-Hampshire, so those cities have derived many of their best citizens from the same region. The population,

like the waters, has gravitated toward the great centres of business; and the country churches have become tributaries of the city churches.

The great West has, also, depleted the rural districts of our state. The hardy sons of New-Hampshire, inured to toil and hardship at home, have often taken the lead in founding new states, new churches and new colleges upon the more productive territories of the West. Educated in the free schools, the town meeting and the Congregational church, they have been among the foremost in promoting the establishment of similar institutions in their new homes. In the department of education, they have been specially prominent. Only two or at most three States of the Union have furnished a greater number of educated men, in proportion to their population, than New-Hampshire. A majority of these have earned the means of their education. A large number of the graduates of Dartmouth College have become teachers and ministers, and a majority of these have labored in the new states. Of the one hundred and twenty-five thousand emigrants from our state, now living, most of them have done good service for their country in all the great enterprises of the day, moral, social, material and religious. Though the old homesteads have declined by their loss, the new have flourished by their gain.

PURITANISM IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

Supposing the Puritans to have been such and so great as they have been represented to be, what has New-Hampshire to do with them? Much, every way; for though the early settlers of this state were neither Puritans nor Pilgrims, their laws, schools, religion and government were patterned after those of Massachusetts, and were thus a legitimate legacy from Puritanism. What was good or bad in the one state was equally good or bad in the other. The two states were under one government for nearly two generations of men; and that, too, in the infancy of our republic, when the younger state would naturally imitate the older. Such was the result. The town, the school, the church and the state were identical in the two republics. New-Hampshire, therefore, quarried the corner stones of its political and

ecclesiastical structure from the mine of puritanism. Thus her origin was ennobled. The Puritans were simple in habits; plain in dress; bold in speech; stern in morals; bigoted in religion; patient in suffering; brave in danger, and energetic in action. But what have the clergy done for New-Hampshire? Let us inquire what has been done in morals, religion and education; and whatever that is, is chiefly due to them. Ministers of the gospel have been the originators and promoters of educational institutions. The common schools have been cherished, superintended and elevated by them. Academies have been built and sustained by their fostering care. It is hardly probable that an instance can be found in the history of our state, where an institution of learning, a social library, a lyceum or a literary association has been established without the active and constant support of the clergymen of the place. Ministers have been the models in style, pronunciation and delivery whom all the young lovers of oratory have imitated. The college was founded by a clergyman, and has, with a single exception, been presided over by clergymen. Its most active supporters have been from that profession. During the years of its sore trial, when the state attempted to seize its franchise, its chief defenders were Congregational clergymen. Dr. McFarland, at the risk of reputation and usefulness, sometimes wrote two columes a week in defence of the old board and their measures. Others fought in the same battle and with similar peril. The clergyman in every town has been among the first to discover and encourage rising merit among the sons and daughters of the flock. Hundreds of young men have received a liberal education through the aid and counsel of faithful pastors, who otherwise might have remained for life "mute and inglorious" upon their native hills. Dr. Samuel Wood, of Boscawen, during his long, successful ministry, fitted at his own home more than one hundred young men for college. Those who could not immediately pay one dollar a week for board and tuition, he trusted; to some indigent students he forgave their debt. Upon the subjects of morals, religion, reforms and revivals, it is superfluous to speak in this connection. To recite what has been done in these respects by the ministers of all denominations would require a complete

history of the moral and spiritual progress of the state from its origin. The other learned professions have been co-workers with them; but it is not my purpose to speak of them here and now. By such agencies as I have indicated New-Hampshire has risen to an honorable rank among her sister states. Her schools, academies and churches compare favorably with those of other more attractive portions of our country.

SEVENTY-FIFTH

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

NEW-HAMPSHIRE

MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

PRESENTED AT THE

ANNIVERSARY MEETING AT LITTLETON,

SEPTEMBER 13, 1876.

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CONSTITUTION OF THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ARTICLE 1. This society shall be styled the NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ART. 2. The object of this society shall be to assist churches and congregations that are unable to support the gospel ministry, and to send missionaries to destitute towns and places in New-Hampshire, and also to co-operate with and aid the American Home Missionary Society in the work of home missions throughout the United States.

ART. 3. There shall annually be chosen, of the members of the society resident in the State, a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, and nine Trustees, one third of whom to be chosen triennially, at least one third of whom shall be laymen, the seats of one third of whom to be vacated each year and filled by a new election. All elections shall be made by ballot, and the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer shall be trustees, *ex-officiis*.

ART. 4. It shall be the duty of the President, and, in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, and in the absence of the Vice-Presidents, the oldest man of the Trustees present, to preside at all meetings of the society and the Trustees, five of whom shall constitute a quorum.

ART. 5. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the society and of the Trustees; to keep a true record of the transactions of the society and of the Trustees; to fill out commissions for missionaries and certificates of life members; to draw orders upon the Treasurer for all moneys appropriated by the Trustees, and to make an annual report to the society of the proceedings of the Trustees, and of their executive committee.

ART. 6. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the society; to lease and convey by deed any real estate belonging to the society, when directed by the trustees or their Executive Committee, and to exhibit annually an audited account of the state of the treasury, and also to exhibit his books at other times, when requested by any member of the society or contributor to its funds. He shall give bonds to such an amount as the Trustees or their committee may require.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of the Trustees to hold annual

and semi-annual meetings, and also special meetings when called by the Executive Committee; to make appropriations of money; to appoint missionaries—sound, pious, able and discreet men; to adopt such measures as they may judge important to promote the financial and general interests of the society, and to make, through the Secretary, an annual report of their doings to the society. Immediately after the annual meeting of the society they shall appoint an Executive Committee of their number, consisting of five, including the Secretary. This committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings; to fill its own vacancies from the Trustees, or vacancies in the board of officers which may occur between the annual meetings of the society; to appoint missionaries, make appropriations, and to transact all other business which may be necessary during the intervals of the annual and semi-annual meetings of the Trustees.

ART. 8. The society shall meet annually, on Thursday, the third day of the meeting of the General Association, at 10 o'clock A. M., or at such time and at such place as the society may have appointed at the preceding annual meeting. The society shall meet annually for business, at some day and hour previous to the time of public exercises, appointed and duly notified by the Executive Committee.

ART. 9. Any person may become a member of the society by paying two dollars as an annual subscriber, or a life member by paying thirty dollars; and every member, except life members, shall pay two dollars annually, until he or she shall signify, in writing, a desire to withdraw. All ministers, whose churches contribute annually to the funds of the society, shall be members for the time being. No member who shall neglect to pay his annual subscription, or who shall have removed from the State, shall be authorized to vote in the meetings of the society. All life male members shall have the right to vote in the meetings of the society.

ART. 10. Every minister of the gospel, statedly laboring in this State, and in regular standing with the Congregational or Presbyterian churches, shall be considered as an agent of this society, to invite the attention of his hearers, at least once a year, to its objects, and to receive donations, subscriptions and contributions to its funds, and transmit them to its Treasurer, or its authorized agents.

ART. 11. All questions before the society shall be determined by a majority of the members present, excepting amendments of the constitution, which shall require the concurance of two thirds of the members present, besides having been proposed a year beforehand for consideration, or recommended by the Trustees.

RULES OF THE SOCIETY.

As revised by the Trustees, August 23, 1843.

Every feeble church, soliciting aid of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, should make application to the Trustees by a committee (not by a minister) duly authorized. The application should be make as near as possible to the time when the contract for ministerial labor commences, should be certified by the local Conference committee, or by two or three neighboring ministers, and should answer the following questions:

1. What is the name of the minister you wish to employ, and when does your contract with him commence?
2. What is the amount of ratable property held by the church, and what held by others, not members of the church, who contribute to the support of the ministry?*
3. What is the income of the ministerial fund, if any, and is the parsonage, if any, included in the sum you raise for your minister's support?
4. What is the amount supposed necessary for the support of your minister?
5. What sum have you raised for the support of your minister? What part has been raised by the church? How have you raised it?
6. What is the least amount of aid needed?
7. Do the members of the church generally favor the cause of temperance?
8. Are you, as a church or religious society, in debt? If so, for what purpose and to what amount?
9. Do you receive aid from any other source? If so, to what amount.

The Trustees will not be expected to continue aid to any feeble church or religious society that does not promptly discharge all pecuniary liabilities for the support of the ministry. No church or minister can enjoy the patronage of this society that is not essentially sound in the doctrines and ordinances of the gospel, as held and practiced by the Orthodox Congregational and Presbyterian churches of New England, or does not practically favor the cause of temperance. No appropriation will be made retrospectively to feeble churches, to defray the expenses

*The answer to this question should include bank, railroad, United States, and all other stocks, so far as can be ascertained.

of ministers not in commission, nor for the support of ministers who do not devote their whole time to the work of the ministry, for the benefit of the people to whom they minister. No missionary can receive his order on the Treasurer until he makes a return of service for the full time of labor specified in his commission. Every missionary who shall neglect to make his annual statistical report by the fifth of August, without satisfactory reasons, shall forfeit his appropriation.

Every feeble church must renew its application for aid according to the above rules, so long as aid shall be needed.

It is very desirable that all churches receiving aid should so arrange their ministerial contracts that the year may commence with the year of the Missionary Society, which is the 15th day of August, so that all applications for renewals of grants may be made at that time, as the Trustees can then act on all such applications at their annual meeting.

Every renewed application for aid must report every particular above required, and not make any such references as "the same as last year," &c. The failure to state all required particulars occasions great inconvenience and often expense and delay.

No church shall receive aid that does not pay at least one and one quarter per cent. on the dollar of its ratable property, that is $12.50 on $1000. The Trustees, however, will exercise discretionary power to vary this, where circumstances shall seem to demand it. As the salaries of our missionaries are inadequate to their support, the Trustees will co-operate with those churches in increasing their ministers' salaries, which will increase their own subscription for his support to 1½ per cent. on their ratable property.

As the Missionary Society is a party concerned, no church under its patronage shall dismiss its pastor without the knowledge and consent of the Trustees or the Executive Committee.

The Trustees, at their annual meeting in Manchester, in 1864, raised the percentage rule from one per cent. to one and one quarter per cent. on the dollar of ratable property. They also added, as a standing rule to the above, not to appropriate aid separately to churches so situated that they might conveniently unite in the support of one minister.

Resolutions passed by the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, Oct. 24, 1873:—

(1) That the Trustees be encouraged to use still greater efforts to bring the increasing wants of this society to the notice of every church, Congregational and Presbyterian, in New-

Hampshire, and to impress upon them the vital importance not only of contributing to the funds of the society, but of inceasing their contributions.

(2) That we recommend that all money contributed for the cause of Home Missions be paid into the treasury of the State society for its special use, that the wants of our own destitutions be met first, and that surplus money be paid to tne American Home Missionary Society.

(3) That the salary of every missionary stationed as pastor of a church, or laboring statedly with it, which complies with the rules of the society, relative to giving aid, be at least equal to $800, and that the Trustees be instructed to appropriate such a sum of money as, in their judgment, is absolutely necessary to secure such a salary in each case. Nothing in this resolution proposes to diminish the salary of those having more than $800, when, in the opinion of the Trustees, that larger salary should be continued. This resolution takes effect from Jan. 1, 1874.

(4) That the policy of this society be to secure a permanent pastoral relation, and that all stated supplies be encouraged and urged to enter the pastoral office at once.

(5) That two contiguous churches be placed under the charge of one man in all practicable cases, and that all aid be withheld from any church which refuses to enter into such an arrangement.

(6) That nothing in these resolutious be construed as advising the diminution of the society's iteneracy work, and that the compensation paid those laboring only part of the year be as heretofore.

(7) That it shall hereafter be the settled policy of the society to encourage and aid all its beneficiary churches to sustain public worship on the Sabbath without any intermission, and to employ to this end the best available agency, whether clerical or lay.

At the annual meeting in Exeter, in 1874, the following resolution was adopted: viz.,

Resolved, That the Trustees be authorized to modify the application of rule third, passed October 24, 1873, when, in their judgment, the good of the Society requires — provided, always, that such modification shall be confined to exceptional cases.

RULES FOR MISSIONARY RETURNS.

Missionaries to transmit their statistical returns to the Secretary annually, by the fifth of August. Those who report quarterly shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasurer. Semi-annual reports shall have semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an annual report on or before the fifth of August, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the society, unless sufficient excuse can be rendered.

In the annual report, definite answers to the following questions are required: namely,

1. What is your stipulated salary?
2. How raised—by tax or subscription?
3. Is it promptly paid?
4. What the average number of your congregation?
5. What the number of hopeful conversions in your congregation?
6. What the number of your church members — resident and non-resident?
7. What additions during the year ending August 1 — by profession? by letter?
8. What the number of baptisms — infant and adult?
9. What the number of removals during the year — by death, dismission, or exclusion?
10. What the number in your Sabbath School?
11. What the amount of contribution to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society.
12. What the amount to all other religious charities?
13. What special encouragement or discouragement in your labors?

[*In replying to these inquiries you need refer only to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.*]

NOTICES.

All communications intended for the Trustees, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the society, may be addressed to Rev. E. H. Greeley, Concord, N. H.

☞ *All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the society*, may be made to Hon. Lyman D. Stevens, Concord, N. H.

The Home Missionary, published monthly by the American Home Mission Society, Bible House, Astor Place, New York, is sent gratuitously to *life members*, *missionaries*, and auxiliary associations of *either society;* to all pastors whose congregation contributes any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors, and to each donor of $10 annually, who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made to the Treasurer, who is agent for the distribution of *The Home Missionary* for New-Hampshire.

☞ *All money contributed to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, which is not imperativly needed for the work in the State, is sent to the treasury of the American Home Missionary.*

All applications for aid, and returns of missionaries, to be made to the Secretary. The regular meetings of the Executive Committee occur on the third Tuesday of October, January, April and July. *It is earnestly desired that all applications for aid be sent to the Secretary previous to those meetings.*

Missionaries are reminded that reports are expected quarterly, and an annual report, made out up to Aug. 1, as soon as may be after that date. *All* the questions of the blanks are to be *fully* answered. Remittances are not made until full reports are received.

Applications for aid should contain full and careful answers to all the questions proposed, *and should be renewed at the expiration of the time for which the missionary is commissioned, if his further services are desired.* All applications should be promptly made. The Trustees will not feel bound to make appropriations for services rendered before the application is made.

The payment of $30 into its treasury entitles the person named by the donor to become a life member of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, or, if preferred, of the American Home Missionary Society, and, *in either case*, to receive the *Home Missionary.*

Orders on the Treasury to be drawn by the Secretary.

The semi-annual meeting of the Trustees is to be at Concord, the Tuesday before the first Wednesday in June.

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I give to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society the sum of dollars, for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Important legacies have been lost to the Society through inattention to its legal name.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Seventy-fifth Annual Meeting of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society was held at the Congregational Church in Littleton, September 13, 1876.

In the absence of the President and Vice-Presidents, Rev. Quincy Blakely, the oldest Trustee present, presided.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Amos Holbrook.

The Annual Report of the Trustees was read by the Secretary, and was accepted and ordered to be printed.

In the absence of the Treasurer, his annual report was read by the Secretary, and was accepted and ordered to be printed.

Voted: That the next annual meeting be held in connection with the meeting of the General Association, at Great Falls, on Thursday Evening, September 16, 1877, at 7 o'clock P. M.

Voted: That one thousand extra copies of the Annual Report be printed in connection with the Report on the State of Religion, for circulation at the next Annual Meeting..

A historical paper was read by Rev. Geo. B. Spalding, followed by one on the future work of the Society, by the Secretary. A discussion succeeded, which was participated in by a large number of the members of the Society present.

On motion, the chair appointed Rev. A. B. Peabody, Rev. G. I. Bard and Rev. W. E. Spear, a committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year. That committee reported the following, who were elected: viz.,

Rev. Asa D. Smith, d.d., ll.d., Hanover, *President.*

Hon. J. E. Sargent, Concord; Dea. J. G. Blunt, Nashua and John Bracewell, Esq., Dover, *Vice-Preidents.*

Rev. E. H. Greeley, Concord, *Secretary.*

Hon. Lyman D. Stevens, Concord, *Treasurer.*

Hon. John Kimball, and Geo. E. Jenks, Esq., Concord, *Auditors.*

Rev. FREDERIC ALVORD, Nashua; Rev. GEO. B. SPALDING, Dover, and Rev. R. L. FRENCH, Pittsfield, *Trustees* for three years.

Adjourned.

TRUSTEES.

The Trustees of the Society are the following: viz., The President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, *Ex-officiis*.

Elected in 1876.

Rev. FREDERIC ALVORD, Nashua.
Rev. GEO. B. SPALDING, Dover.
Hon. R. L. ERENCH, Pittsfield.

Elected in 1875.

Hon. DEXTER RICHARDS, Newport.
Rev. W. R. JEWETT, Concord.
Rev. S. L. BLAKE, Concord.

Elected in 1874.

Rev. F. D. AYER, Concord.
Rev. QUINCY BLAKELY, Campton.
Dea. ALMON HARRIS, Fisherville.

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT.

It falls to us, on this Centennial year of our National life, to celebrate the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the New Hampshire Missionary Society, and to recognize, as we have abundant occasion to do, with devout thanksgiving to Almighty God, its place and work among the forces which have made, not only our State, but our whole Country what it is; its place and work among the forces whose results hitherto, and whose prospective workings, go so far to justify the courage and the hope with which we look forward to the developments of another century in our Nation's history. A Society which has sent the living preacher of the Gospel into more than one hundred and seventy of the towns of the State; which has aided one hundred and forty-one churches of the State to sustain the institutions of the Gospel, only twenty-six of which have become extinct, fifty of which are now self-supporting, several of them to-day among our foremost churches; which, through the streams of emigration that have flowed so copiously from the fountains among our rocky hills, has sent its influence—no slight or secondary influence either—over all the land, into every department of public and private life, cannot certainly be left out of the account, or remanded to any insignificant place, as, from the line which divides the centuries, we review the past and forecast the future.

And here let it be said that there is no brighter page in the history of our National life, for the century now closing, than that which should truly and faithfully record what has been accomplished through that emigration, which is so often and so deeply deplored, going out very largely from the churches under the fostering care of this Society; that emigration which, more than anything else, has made and kept them weak and dependent. Not always, indeed, in the same spirit of cheerful self-sacrifice which characterized the Master, yet, in glorious reality, like Him they have become poor that others, through their poverty, might be rich. They have parted sadly with their

choicest and best, but it has been largely that those consecrated at these old altars, might do valiant and most effective service as Christian workers in laying the foundations of a new social and church order where, in the coming days, is to be the seat of mighty empire. It is a great thing, there is nothing greater in the possibilities of human aspiration and endeavor, than to give all, even life itself, for such ends—to become poor that other communities and the coming ages may be rich.

SUMMARY OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

We have to report on completing this, its seventy-fifth year, that the Society not only still lives, but that, in the good providence of God, its eye is not dim nor its natural or spiritual force abated. It has aided, for the year now closing, in the support of fifty-one missionaries in fifty-two churches and stations. Thirty of these have labored during the entire year, the remainder for periods varying from two, to eleven months. Their aggregate term of service is forty-one years—seven more than last year, and much above the average, which, for the past decade, has been thirty-three years. The remarkable permanency of our missionaries in the occupancy of their fields of labor will be noted, fifty-one having performed forty-one years of labor, a thing, we think, well nigh without precedent; but, we are glad to say, also significant of a change in this respect which is becoming apparent among all our churches. The number of places aided is also considerably above the average and has only rarely been exceeded, The number of stations is five greater than last year, and two more missionaries have been employed. Seven missionaries have occupied two stations each. One church, at South Weare, has been organized. One house of worship has been built and two others extensively repaired. Forty-four of these churches report an average congregation of eighty-three, and an average Sabbath School of seventy-one members. The aggregate average congregations of these forty-four churches is 3,676. Doubling this average, as we may fairly do, for the real congregation, including infants, invalids and those too aged to attend public worship, we find that nearly 7,500 have attended upon the preaching, and come directly under the pastoral care of our missionaries. Including the missionary churches not

supplied with stated preaching the past year, and those that have not reported, it would be a close approximation to the truth to say that 10,000 persons are reached directly by those who occupy the pulpits of the churches dependent upon the aid of this Society. Add to this the indirect influence exerted upon 20,000 neglectors of public worship in the communities immediately about them, an influence which we cannot estimate, but which is, certainly, much greater than is commonly supposed, and we shall readily see that it is no insignificant or unimportant work that is entrusted to us.

The number of members in forty-two churches is 1,949; an average of 46½ each. Of these, 1,581, an average of 38, are resident. From 43 churches we have reported contributions to the New Hampshire Missionary Society, amounting to $454.44; and to all benevolent objects contributions amounting to $1214.04.

SPIRITUAL RESULTS.

The aided churches have shared largely in the revival interest which has signalized the year. From nineteen places, more than one third of the whole number occupied, we have reports of revivals, some of them of remarkable interest and power. Thirteen others report unusual religious interest, resulting in from two to eight hopeful conversions each. Forty-five report an aggregate of 368 cases of hopeful conversion, and 266 additions—193 by profession, the largest number in any year, since 1839—thirty-seven years ago. The additions of the year amount to 17 per cent. of the entire resident membership of the churches reporting. This gain is counterbalanced by a loss of 103 members—55 by dismission to other churches, showing that the process of depletion by emigration still goes on. Their net gain is 163 members. We hail these revivals as the seal of the Divine approval upon our work, and as an omen of that development of spiritual forces and results which, we trust, is to characterize the age that is now opening upon us.

These revivals have been enjoyed largely in connection with the canvass of the Young Men's Christian Association, a canvass that has been highly fruitful in good results; especially where the impressions made in its meetings have been faithfully and efficiently followed up by pastors and churches.

THE TREASURY.

There have been received into the treasury, in the year under review, in donations from churches and individuals, $4,882.22; from the New Hampshire Cent Institution, $2,419.69; from legacies, $1,359.00; and from Permanent Fund and miscellaneous sources, $169.74; making a total of $8,830.65. Of this sum, $662.54 have, by the direction of the donors, been paid into the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society; leaving $8,168.11 for the work in the State. There have also, within the same period, been paid from the State directly into the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society, in donations, $564.44, and in legacies, $10,097.71; making a total of $10,662.15. The whole amount raised for Home Missions in the State, for the year, is $19,492.80, exceeding that of any previous years, with two exceptions. The donations from churches and individuals exceed those of last year by $407.49; the amount received from legacies is $606 less than last year, and the amount received from the Cent Institution is less by $160.91.

The expenditures within the State for the year have been $10,928.95—$714 more than last year, and $2,098.30 more than the receipts of the year, for the State work. The balance in the treasury at the beginning of the year, of $4,042.64, has been reduced to $1,944.34.

COST OF MISSIONARY LABOR, AND SALARY OF MISSIONARIES.

The average direct cost to the Society of each year of missionary labor has been, for the last year, $202. The average direct cost of a year of missionary labor to the Maine Missionary Society, was $211; to the Vermont Missionary Society, $217; to the Massachusetts Missionary Society, $289; to the Rhode Island Missionary Society, $387; to the Connecticut Missionary Society, $270; to the American Home Missionary Society, average of its whole field, about $300. Our Society, it will be seen, stands lowest on the list, paying its missionaries but little more than two thirds the average of the country at large.*

*Possibly a different method of estimating receipts and expenditures in the case of places supplied by students, should modify this statement somewhat, so far as Maine and Vermont are concerned.

When this Society was organized, seventy-five years ago, the stipend of its missionaries was fixed at eight dollars a week, which was at that time, nearly, if not quite, the average salary of the ministry of the State. About 1830, a vote was passed that the salary of a missionary should not, in ordinary cases, be made up so as to exceed $400. In the commercial panic of 1837, and the two or three succeeding years, it was reduced, temporarily, to $350. During the whole period of its history, previous to 1850, after which salaries began gradually to increase, there seems to have been a sort of tacit understanding, that the salary of the missionaries of the American Home Missionary Society should be brought up to $400.

The average salary of the missionaries of our Society last year was, as nearly as can be ascertained, $705. Any one whose memory goes back forty years, and who will compare that period with the present, in respect of the purchasing value of money, the average cost of living, the average salary of clergymen and other professional men, or the average prices of any sort of labor, will readily see that the salary of our missionaries is relatively by no means as high now as then. We are less just, certainly less generous, in this respect than were our fathers. We have learned the art of driving a sharper bargain with these servants of Christ and of the churches than they.

But is this wise? Is it Christian? Is it even good economy? Are we going to get our work really done in this way? Can we hold in the State a band of efficient workers on these terms? Home missionaries will be governed, on the broad scale, by the same motives, with other Christian men. Whatever they might be willing to do on their own account, they will not face pinching poverty and the loss of the means of a tolerable education for their families, when they can avoid these by turning aside into other fields where harvests at least equally promising invite their labor. Say what we will about the style of Christian self-sacrifice which they *ought* to exhibit, they will yield to this pressure. And if they are to be stoned for it, let those who are willing to exhibit and do exhibit a spirit of greater self-sacrifice for the cause, cast the first stone. Home missionaries are under no obligations to self-sacrifice which do not rest with

equal force upon every disciple of a Master who became poor that others might be rich, and who laid the foundations of the Kingdom of God, in the earth, in his own blood.

THE ABILITY OF THE CHURCHES.

But are our churches able to do this work, able to do it without sacrificing the higher claims of other charities? To this it is enough to reply that a considerable number of them have, the past year, given to this object their full proportion, according to their numbers and ability, of $15,000, from all the churches of the State; and they have not found this burdensome, nor have they stinted their other charities to do it. If *all* our pastors and churches would interest themselves, and do for this cause as much as *some* of them do, we should have enough for the vigorous prosecution of the work within the State, and a very respectable margin to go towards the ever-growing work upon the frontier. Why not *every one* stand, each in his place, and all together, and encourage each the other, for the two-fold, yet single, work among our granite hills, and upon the plains and valleys of the mighty West? A congregational collection appears to have been taken the last year in one hundred and eleven churches; a very considerable and very gratifying advance upon any recent year indeed; but there remain eighty-three churches, or, allowing twenty-eight for those that have had no stated preaching the past year, and those that for other reasons could hardly be expected to contribute, fifty-five churches in which no such collection has been taken. Can we not have a collection in *every* church the coming year? And will not *every* member contribute something, however little, to a cause so important as this?

WHERE, IN THE FIRST INSTANCE, SHOULD ALL OUR CHURCHES SEND THEIR HOME MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS?

When, after the formation of a National Home Missionary Society, our State organization, the elder by a quarter of a century, became auxiliary to that, a public statement of the basis upon which that union was formed, was drawn up and signed, on the part of the National society, by Absolom Peters, D.D., then its Corresponding Secretary; and, on the part of the State so-

ciety, by John H. Church, D.D., then its President. That statement illustrates the wisdom and foresight of the men concerned in the transaction. In it occurs the following, parts of which we have italicized, as seeming to us worthy of some special note. We quote:—

"By the terms on which the New-Hampshire Missionary Society is auxiliary to the American Home Missionary Society, *all the concerns of the National Society in this State* are conducted through the State society; while all the expenditures of the State Society out of the State of New-Hampshire, are expected to be made through the National society. *It is, therefore, requested, that all the contributions to the object of Home Missions, from individuals and churches in this State, whether designed to be expended in or out of the State, be made directly to the Treasury of the State society.*"

The reasons for such an understanding are obvious and weighty. It should have been strictly, religiously observed. It is much to be regretted that it has been, and is still, widely departed from, to the hurt of both societies and of the cause. If, for example, all the money contributed to Home Missions in the State last year had gone directly into our treasury, as much, certainly within $500, would have gone to the treasury of the National society, while every donor in the State would have had the satisfaction of feeling that, while one half of his gift went to express his sympathy and interest in the cause in his own State, the other half went to plant and rear churches in the West. Does any one doubt that the inspiration of this feeling would have brought far more than $500 additional into the treasury; and would, also, in other ways, have materially advanced the cause? Why not act together, as a body of sister churches, in this matter, which so deeply concerns the common interest of us all?

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							Profession.	Letter.	Dismissed.	Died.	Excluded						Home Missions.	Other Objects.
1. Alstead, East,	G. B. Richardson,	Apr. 1, 1876	12	150.00	12	5	7	2	1	5	1	59	29	88	90	90	$50.00	$45.10
2. Alstead, Centre,	G. B. Richardson,					17	13	6	0	0	0	41	8	49	75	70	23.15	22.20
3. Alstead, P. M. Vill.,	G. F. Chapin,	Apr. 1, 1876	12	150.00	12	15	7	1	1	2	0	35	3	38	110	90	30.00	41.75
4. Alton,	L. S. Coan,	Jan. 17, 1876	12	275.00	12	3	0	0	0	1	0			42	100	125	7.50	
5. Andover,	Howard Moody,	Jan. 1, 1876	12	250.00	12	18	9	0	2	0	0	25	4	29	70	50	26.38	6.75
6. Auburn,	C. E. Houghton,	May 20, 1876	12	200.00	12	0	0	1	1	1	0	38	13	51	75	60	9.13	7.00
7. Barnstead,	W. O. Carr,	Oct. 1, 1875	12	200.00	12	25	3	3	0	1	0	29	7	36	100	85	5.00	15.00
8. Berlin,*	A. J. Benedict,	June 1, 1876	12	137.50	12	18									95	100	0.00	0.00
9. Brentwood,	W. C. Jackson,	Apr. 1, 1876	12	150.00														
10. Centre Harbor,	J. S. Gay,	Oct. 11, 1875	12	250.00	12	0	0	0	4	2	0	41	16	57	70	59	17.00	21.50
11. Charlestown,	G. W. Kinne,	Apr. 12, 1875	12	200.00	8	0	0	0	2	1	0	43		43	70	87		11.50
12. Chatham,	J. H. Leavitt,	June 1, 1876	12	100.00	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	34		34	35	35		12.00
13. Dalton,	A. E. Hall,	Apr. 1, 1876	12	200.00	12	28	22	0	1	2	0	44	4	48	85	80	8.12	12.00
14. Danbury,	Geo. Smith,	Apr. 1, 1876	12	175.00	12	9	7	1	1	2	0	53	9	62	100	80	17.00	18.50
15. Dublin,	J. F. Bassett,	July 1, 1875	12	100.00	11	5	0	4	0	1	0	12	4	16	25	25	0.00	2.30
16. Enfield,	F. Parker,	July 1, 1875	12	365.00	12	2	0	1	3	0	0	36	9	45	125	40	2.00	15.00
17. Gilmanton Iron Works,	Geo. Rodgers,	July 1, 1875	12	100.00	12		1	0	0	0	0	38		38	100	75	10.00	30.00
18. Goff's Falls,*	H. W. Carter,	Sept. 1, 1875	8	132.00	11										60	40	0.00	0.00
19. Gorham,	G. F. Tewksbury, A. J. Benedict,	June 1, 1876	12	137.50	12	0	1	0	2	0	0	20	8	28	100	75		
20. Goshen,	H. W. R. Thurston,	May 5, 1876	12	200.00	12	10	3	5	3	0	0	31	2	33	100	75	4.00	3.50
21. Groton, North,	Otis Cary, Jr.,	July 1, 1876	2	36.00	2½	0	0	0	4	0	0	11	4	15	60	45	0.00	0.00
22. Harrisville,	A. Holbrook,	Jan. 1, 1875	12	150.00	5	12	4	0	1	2	0			72	93	87	26.00	30.00
23. Hebron,	J. B. Cook,	June 14, 1876	12	125.00	12	0	0	0	3	1	0	8	3	11	60	50	30.00	13.60
24. Kensington,	F. D. Chandler,	Apr. 25, 1876	12	250.00	12	10	10	0	0	0	0	82		82	125	80	12.00	7.60
25. Kingston,	J. Chapman,	May 1. 1876	12	100.00	12	15	4	5	2	1	0	44	8	52	100	110	40.00	75.80
26. Langdon,	G. F. Chapin,	Apr. 1, 1876	12		12	5	2	1	0	0	0	29	4	33	60	50	12.22	1.40
27. Lempster,	J. LeBosquet,	May 1, 1876	12	150.00	12	1	2	1	3	0	0	40	13	53	50	40	6.00	35.40
28. Loudon,	D. S. Hibbard,	May 9, 1876	12	150.00	12	4	1	0	1	1	0	50	8	58	50	40	9.00	25.00

29. Mason,	R. P. Wells,	Feb.	1, 1876	12	175.00	12	6	4	0	1	2	1	70	14	84	85	110	19.50	111.75
30. Milton Mills,	Geo. Michael,	July	1, 1875	12	200.00	11		2	2									10.00	
31. Moultonborough,	C. L. Tappan,																		
32. Munroe,	J. L. Litch,	June	1, 1876	12	75.00	12	30	15	1	1	0	0	37	5	42	95	63	0.00	0.00
33. Nelson,	M. Gould,	Jan.	1, 1876	12	150.00	12	42	22	2	1	2	0	77	25	102	90	125	8.00	45.00
34. Newcastle,	E. G. Stone, B. F. Grant, F. Davis,	Nov.	1, 1875	12	200.00	9	22	0	0	1	1	0	33	21	54	80	85	7.00	0.00
35. Newington,	W. A. Hadley,	May	1, 1876	12	150.00	12	7	6	0	0	1	0	24	3	27	100	75	16.00	5.00
36. Northwood,	G. F. Wright,	July	1, 1876	12	125.00														
37. Ossipee Centre,	E. O. Eastman,	Jan.	1, 1876	12	200.00	7	0	0	2	1	2	0	51	8	59	105	45	35.00	9.45
38. Ossipee Corner,*	E. O. Eastman,	Jan.	1, 1876	12		7										95			
39. Roxbury,	Sam. J. Emerson,	May	14, 1876	4	68.00	3	18	18	0	0	0	0	23	7	30	60	56	6.51	0.00
40. Salem,	S. Bowker,	Jan.	1, 1876	12	75.00	12	2	1	0	2	7	3	50	7	57	85	80	9.50	45.00
41. Sandwich,	C. L. Tappan,	Jan.	1, 1876	12	275.00	12	6	6	4	0	0	0	43		43	75	50	10.00	
42. Sandwich, North,	C. L. Tappan,																		
43. Seabrook, South,	W. A. Rand,	Sept.	1, 1875	12	300.00	12	10	0	0	3	1	0	19		19	125	100	0.00	0.00
44. Stewartstown, West,	W. S. Bugbee,	July	1, 1876	12	400.00	12	11	10	0	2	2	0	35		35	90	80	0.00	0.00
45. Stoddard,	H. H. Colburn,	Apr.	5, 1876	12	125.00	12	6	7	4	1	1	0	29	13	42	65	50	.50	0.00
46. Tamworth,	J. G. Wilson,	Oct.	1, 1874	12	200.00														
47. Washington,	H. H. Colburn,	Apr.	5, 1876	12	125.00	12	3	1	2	1	1	0	17	6	23	60	35	7.00	4.00
48. Weare, South,	A. B. Palmer,	May	1,	12	200.00	12	16	4	24	0	0	0	28	0	28	105	108	13.80	8.80
49. Wentworth,	G. J. Pierce,	May	1, 1876	12	250.00	12	10	1	1	6			55	13	68	100	75	50.00	40.00
50. Wilmot,	C. B. Tracy,	Jan.	1, 1876	12	150.00	12	4	0	0	0	2	0	29	16	45	78	70	34.53	40.53
51. Wolfeborough, North,	N. I. Rubinkam,	May	1, 1876	4	70.00	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	18		18	85	30	0.00	0.00

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3. Alstead, P. M. Vill.,	G. F. Chapin,	Apr. 1, 1876	12	150.00	12	15	7	1	1	2	0	35	3	38	110	90	30.00	41.75
4. Alton,	L. S. Coan,	Jan. 17, 1876	12	275.00	12	3	0	0	0	1	0			42	100	125	7.50	
5. Andover,	Howard Moody,	Jan. 1, 1876	12	250.00	12	18	9	0	2	0	0	25	4	29	70	50	26.38	6.75
6. Auburn,	C. E. Houghton,	May 20, 1876	12	200.00	12	0	0	1	1	1	0	38	13	51	75	60	9.13	7.00
7. Barnstead,	W. O. Carr,	Oct. 1, 1875	12	200.00	12	25	3	3	0	1	0	29	7	36	100	85	5.00	15.00
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11. Charlestown,	G. W. Kinne,	Apr. 12, 1875	12	200.00	8	0	0	0	2	1	0	43		43	70	87		11.50
12. Chatham,	J. H. Leavitt,	June 1, 1876	12	100.00	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	34		34	35	35		12.00
13. Dalton,	A. E. Hall,	Apr. 1, 1876	12	200.00	12	28	22	0	1	2	0	44	4	48	85	80	8.12	12.00
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25. Kingston,	J. Chapman,	May 1. 1876	12	100.00	12	15	*4	5	2	1	0	44	8	52	100	110	40.00	75.80
26. Langdon,	G. F. Chapin,	Apr. 1, 1876	12		12	5	2	1	0	0	0	29	4	33	60	50	12.22	1.40
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34. Newcastle,	E. G. Stone, B. F. Grant,	Nov.	1,	1875	12	200.00	9	22	0	0	1	1	0	33	21	54	80	85	7.00	0.00
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41. Sandwich,	C. L. Tappan,	Jan.	1,	1876	12	275.00	12	6	6	4	0	0	0	43		43	75	50	10.00	
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43. Seabrook, South,	W. A. Rand,	Sept.	1,	1875	12	300.00	12	10	0	0	3	1	0	19		19	125	100	0.00	0.00
44. Stewartstown, West,	W. S. Bugbee,	July	1,	1876	12	400.00	12	11	10	0	2	2	0	35		35	90	80	0.00	0.00
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48. Weare, South,	A. B. Palmer,	May	1,		12	200.00	12	16	4	24	0	0	0	28	0	28	105	108	13.80	8.60
49. Wentworth,	G. J. Pierce,	May	1,	1876	12	250.00	12	10	1	1	6			55	13	68	100	75	50.00	40.00
50. Wilmot,	C. B. Tracy,	Jan.	1,	1876	12	150.00	12	4	0	0	0	2	0	29	16	45	78	70	34.53	40.53
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*No church organized.

We give below a brief reference to such matters as seemed specially worthy of note in the progress and results of the year's work at the various places occupied:—

ALSTEAD, EAST.—Considerable revival interest. ALSTEAD CENTRE.—A very marked religious awakening, nearly doubling the membership of the church, and greatly improving its condition and prospects. ALSTEAD, PAPER MILL VILLAGE.—A year of rich blessing, greatly reviving the courage and hope of the church, and incessing its strength. ALTON.—General prosperity, increased attendance, and confidence of permanent success. ANDOVER.—More revival interest than for many years, giving assurance of the smile of God upon the enterprise. AUBURN.—Missionary Rev. C. E. Houghton, ordained. Union and general interest, such as to promise well. BARNSTEAD.—Deep religious interest throughout the year. Hopeful conversions reported, nearly equal in number to the entire previous membership of the church. BERLIN.—No church yet organized, but one, probably, to be organized soon. Quite a large number of hopeful conversions. Berlin is now united with Gorham in the support of Rev. A. J. Benedict as pastor, with hopeful prospects. BRENTWOOD.—No marked change in the condition of things. Some tokens of religious interest. CENTRE HARBOR.—Things continue much as they were. Harmony apparent. CHARLESTOWN.—Rev. G. W. Kinne closed his labors here in April last. The church edifice has been repaired at considerable expense, and made quite attractive, and the church is now looking for a pastor. A very important field, one upon which, we trust, a rich harvest awaits wise and persevering labor. CHATHAM.—The field connected with this church includes Stowe, also, in Me., and the Maine Missionary Society unite, in the support of the pastor. DALTON.—A good year for this church; twenty-two additions by profession, doubling the resident membership. The past three years have witnessed a great change for the better here. DANBURY.—A time of refreshing has come, also, to this church, greatly strengthening the things that remained, and adding to its numbers, courage and consecration. DUBLIN.—Rev. J. F. Bassett closed his labors here in July. The church is now engaged in an effort to rebuild its house of worship in a more eligible location. ENFIELD.—House of worship completed and paid for, and the way opened for larger and more hopeful work. A large region, also, round about, that invites and promises to repay faithful culture. An important field. GILMANTON IRON WORKS.—Promising indications, though no very marked religious interest, in this church, that has again been constrained to ask the aid of the sister churches. GOFF'S FALLS.—Good attendance and interest during the year; no marked results. GORHAM.—Rev. G. F. Tewksbury closed his ministry of eight years here in May. This church now unites with Berlin, services being held in the morning at Gorham, and in the afternoon at Berlin. A large and important field, greatly needing the showers of heavenly blessing, to make wise and patient culture fruitful. GOSHEN.—Success has attended faithful labor here. The church is strengthened and encouraged. The union with the Baptists remains harmonious, an example worthy of notice and imitation. When will evangelical Christians

generally become wise enough and Christian enough to work together for the common cause, where to divide is to die? GROTON, NORTH.—A disposition noticeable to attend upon preaching during the small part of the year when it can be enjoyed. This is and must be a small field, but has borne rich fruits in the past and may again. HARRISVILLE—Since January 1st, the newly formed church at East Sullivan has united with Harrisville in support of its pastor, thus relieving us from the necessity of further aid. It is hoped that the pecuniary, and with these, the religious prospects of Harrisville may soon revive, and that, with the Divine blessing so freely given in the past, the church become again fully self-supporting. HEBRON.—Some more favorable indications. A small field, but one that seems to be thrown upon our hands to be nourished or let die. KENSINGTON.—Tokens of the Spirit's presence and power have been given and considerable additions made to the church. Its former pastor, Rev. E. D. Eldridge, "a good man, full of faith and of the Holy Ghost," whose memory will long be kept green among us, entered into his rest, April 18, of this year, May the good seed, sown by him and now watered by another, grow into a great harvest on this important field. KINGSTON.—Amid some obstacles and discouragements the work of God has gone forward here and a precious revival been enjoyed, strengthening and confirming the church. LANGDON—United with Alstead Paper Mill Village under the same pastoral care. It has felt the reviving interest around it, adding strength and inspiring new hope for the future. LEMPSTER.—Little of special interest. The general aspect of things somewhat more favorable. LOUDON.—Some hopeful conversions, and some increased disposition apparent to strengthen the things that remain. MASON.—Several hopeful conversions here also have encouraged to renewed labor and prayer. No material changes apparent in the general aspect of affairs. MILTON MILLS.—Rev. Geo. Michael closed his labors here July 1st. Some untoward events have occurred during the year, darkening the prospects of the church and calling for much wise and patient forbearance and fraternal charity, and much of the loving self-sacrifice of Christ, if it is to be saved for the work which seemed to open before it with so much of promise one year ago. MOULTONBORO'.—Whether this old church, upon which so much labor has been bestowed in other days, is ever to be revived, remains in the secret purposes of God. Our Missionary at Sandwich has performed some labor here but with not very much to encourage. MUNROE.—Of the work accomplished here we can only say it is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes. If all our fields were so blessed, the wilderness and the solitary place would indeed be glad, and the desert bud and blossom as the rose. And why may they not be? NELSON—Here, too, and at Munsonville, an outlying village of the town, at which the pastor holds frequent meetings, a great spiritual refreshing has been enjoyed, making glad the hearts of God's people, adding largely to their numbers, and making the future of this church bright with hope. NEWCASTLE.—A revival has been enjoyed here, which with the general interest manifested makes the prospect hopeful. NEWINGTON.—Rev. F. Davis closed his twelve years' pastorate here in May, and was succeeded by Mr. W. A. Hadley, a licentiate of the Union Association. He reports a full attendance upon religious meetings, and some special religious interest. NORTHWOOD.—This, so long one of our stronger churches, has been constrained to ask for aid, though, as it is hoped, only temporarily. OSSIPEE CENTRE.—This old church has again a pastor, occupying with his family the new and commodious parsonage. He divides his services between this and OSSIPEE CORNER and the prospects of this unit-

ed enterprise are bright. ROXBURY.—This little church has been signally blessed, with a revival which has more than doubled its membership. SALEM.—This people are enjoying their house of worship, renovated and beautified, and are looking forward confidently into the future. SANDWICH.—Several instances of hopeful conversion have occurred here and considerable additions have been made to the church. For four or five months of the year, the pastor held a service on Sabbath afternoons with the church at NORTH SANDWICH, but with no very marked visible results. SOUTH SEABROOK.—Money has been raised to pay off the indebtedness on the house of worship. Considerable additions have been made to the church, the result of revival interest, and steady progress appears to have been made in all directions. STEWARTSTOWN, WEST.—An increased attendance on public worship, and special religious interest resulting in a large relative addition to the church. STODDARD.—The condition and prospects of this church are very much improved. Within and without the church, a revived state of religious interest is manifest, and things look more hopeful than for years before. TAMWORTH.—Rev. J. G. Wilson closed his labors here in October, last. No stated preaching, so far as is known, since. WASHINGTON.—Some special hindrances and discouragements in the past year, but the field is an important one, and should be firmly held, trusting that the time of favor for this church also will come. WEARE, SOUTH—A church of twenty-one members, coming from churches of five different denominations, has been organized; a very neat, commodious and convenient house of worship built, paid for, and dedicated, and a pastor ordained, within the year. To crown all, the Spirit has been given, bringing a goodly company, to Christ. The enterprise has started with evident tokens of the Divine favor, which we trust will not be withdrawn. WENTWORTH.—The experiences of the year have been varied, clouds as well as sunshine, yet tokens of the divine presence and favor have not been wanting. In some respects more than usual prosperity appears to be enjoyed. WILMOT.—No marked change here. The interest of past times seems fully sustained. WOLFBORO', NORTH.—Nothing of special interest.

An appropriation of one hundred dollars was made to aid in the support of Rev. A. Maillard, laboring among the French in Nashua, Manchester, Hooksett and Suncook, for the year ending June 1, 1876.

THE UNOCCUPIED FIELD.

Besides the forty-seven churches thus reported, there are, in the State, eighteen others too feeble to sustain the institutions of the Gospel without aid. Some of these have had occasional, but none stated, preaching during the year under review. Eight or ten of them should perhaps be regarded as virtually extinct, though experience has taught us to hesitate to pronounce any church extinct, as long as it has a single living member. There are, also, in the State, seventy towns, containing an aggregate population of 47,000, in which there is no Congregational or Presbyterian church. Nine of these have a population of

more than 1,000 each, and seventeen of less than 400 each. A considerable part of these towns are adequately supplied with evangelical preaching by other denominations, and only ask of us, what we are sure they will receive, a hearty prayer for the blessing of God upon this preaching. But this is by no means true of them all. In this field, there is work which is yet to fall to us to do; work, too, which, if we are wise to see and improve opportunities, can be successfully done.

There is another very significant fact in this connection; this, namely, that of the 165 towns and cities of the State in which there are Congregational or Presbyterian churches, 116, considerably more than two thirds, have a less population now, than in 1850. If this process is to go on, about which, in the case of many of them at least, there may perhaps be some doubt, it is easy to see that nothing but a very general and powerful religious awakening, arousing the religious indifference around them from its slumbers, will prevent many of the now self-supporting churches from falling, one after another, below the line of self-support, into dependence upon missionary aid.

CONCLUSION.

The facts thus put on record furnish food for thought. They are highly significant in their relation to the duty and responsibility of the churches of our order, not to say of all the churches of the State. They show this, at least, that the poor we have still, and are likely, for the coming years, for the century that is opening before us, to have with us, Christ's poor. He comes to us in the person of churches upon which He has laid heavy burdens, whose sons and daughters, their hope and strength, He has demanded for the exigencies of His cause elsewhere. He is calling upon them to rear up others, not for themselves, but for the needs of the same service, to rear them in the midst of weakness and struggle, that they may be fit to bear hardness as good soldiers. They have been called upon to give what has cost them something, and what, too, has proved the very richest gifts for the Master's use. And now weakened as many of them are, His appeal comes to us to help them lest they sink under the burden and die; to help them for the sake

of what they have done, for the sake of what they can and will yet do, if they may only live, to help them because they are still fountains of redeeming influence for which the whole land waits, and which cannot be spared, to help them for His sake.

The field thus opened at our doors is not, indeed, without its discouragements. It is hard to work even for God, and not sometimes lose heart, when we see the richest fruit of our labor gathered into other garners than our own. But the great harvest will be none the less, nor will our ultimate joy in it be diminished on that account. And if, in some aspects, the prospect may seem dark, yet, in other aspects, there is much to inspire courage and to animate endeavor. The spiritual refreshing of the past year, telling of God's benediction and smile upon our work, repays a thousand fold all that we have done. It gives us the profound satisfaction and courage that come of knowing that we have His approval, and the glorious assurance that His presence will still go with us, and his hand lead us, whatever of darkness or struggle we may have to encounter, as, in the years of the century before us, we, or those who shall come after us, may strive to make the State, with all the influences that go out from it, the State, and, through it and as far as depends upon it, the whole land, Christian.

For the Trustees:

E. H. GREELEY, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1875–6.

L. D. Stevens, *Treasurer, in account with*
THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

	DR.
To balance from last year's account,	$4,042.64
Donations from churches and individuals,	4,219.68
" " New-Hampshire Cent Institution,	2,419.69
Legacies,	1,359.00
Donations for American Home Missionary Society,	662.54
Income from Permanent Fund,	153.18
Receipts from miscellaneous sources,	16.56
	$12,873.29
	CR.
By Amount paid feeble churches and missionaries,	$8,093.72
" " American Home Missionary Society,	662.54
" " Secretary, as salary,	1,500.00
" " " traveling expenses,	203.95
" " Treasurer, as salary,	150.00
" " " for postage, expressage, stationery, &c., for N. H. Missionary Society, and N. H. Cent Institution,	39.82
" " Treasuress of N. H. Cent Institution, as salary,	30.00
" " R. W. Musgrove, for printing Annual Reports,	162.27
" " " " " " Cent Reports,	75.00
" " E. H. Greeley, for the printing of circulars,	10.15
" of counterfeit scrip,	1.50
Balance carried to next year's account,	1,944.34
	$12,873.29

This certifies that we have examined the account of Hon. Lyman D. Stevens, Treasurer of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, and find the same correct, leaving a balance in his hands of one thousand nine hundred and forty-four dollars, thirty-four cents.

JOHN KIMBALL,
GEO. E. JENKS, } *Auditors.*

RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS.

Alstead—Congregational Church and Society, $8.00; Sabbath School, $22.00,	$30.00
Acworth—Female Charitable Society in part to constitute Rev. James Marshall life member,	15.50
Amherst—Congregational Church and Society,	60.00
Atkinson—Congregational Church and Society,	17.76
Auburn—Congregational Church and Society,	9.17
Antrim—Congregational Church and Society,	22.00
Andover and East Andover—Congregational Churches and Societies,	26.38
Bennington—Congregational Church and Society,	16.78
Brentwood—Congregational Church and Society,	14.35
Barnstead Parade—Congregational Church and Society,	5.00
Bristol—Congregational Church and Society, $6.29; for A. H. M. S., $3.89,	10.18
Boston, Mass.—Luther Farnham	2.00
Barnstead—Legacy of Eleanor P. Nutter,	100.00
Boscawen—Congregational Church and Society,	19.00
Brookline—Congregational Church and Society,	14.15
Candia—Congregational Church and Society,	38.80
Concord—A friend, for A. H. M. S., $75.00; a friend, $10.00, and for A. H. M. S., $50.00,	135.00
Concord, South—Congregational Church and Society, $60.00; to constitute Ephraim W. Woodward, John H. Hill, Seth R. Dole and Calvin Howe life members, $141.23; to constitute Calvin C. Webster, Frank Coffin, Jonathon B. Weeks and James Morrison life members, $123.15,	324.38
Claremont—Congregational Church and Society, $32.20; Mrs. Eliza Denning, $5.00; Heirs of Fannie Dow, $1.00,	38.20
Campton—Congregational Church and Society, 13.13; Dea. Brown, $5.00,	18.13
Canterbury—Congregational Church and Society, $18.00; balance of legacy of Benj. Whidden, $7.97,	25.97
Concord, North—Congregational Church and Society, $22.69; to constitute Alfred S. Marden, Robert G. Morrison, Charles T. Page, Mrs. John C. Thorn, Mrs. Thomas M. Lang, life members, $152,00,	174.69
Centre Harbor—Congregational Church and Society,	6.50
Concord, East—Congregational Church and Society,	4.09
Chester—Congregational Church and Society,	25.00
Dunbarton—Congregational Church and Society,	5.05
Deerfield—Estate of Miss Mary A. Brown,	200.00
Dalton—Congregational Church and Society,	8.12
Derry—1st Congregational Church and Society,	27.61
Dover—1st Congregational Church and Society, $30.00; Robert H. Cushing, $50.00; Clarissa W. Cushing, $50.00,	130.00
Danbury—Congregational Church and Society,	7.25
Deerfield Centre—Congregational Church and Society,	26.10
East Alstead—1st Congregational Church and Society, $23.00; 2d Congregational Church and Society, 5.00,	28.00
Exeter—2d Congregational Church and Society, $30.47; 1st Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Wm. H. Robinson and Robert C. Thompson life members, $74.00,	154.47

Epping—Congregational Church and Society,	$40.85
Francestown—Joseph Kingsbury, Esq., for A. H. M. S.,	10.00
Franklin—Congregational Church and Society,	19.50
Fisherville—Congregational Church and Society,	22.80
Gorham—Congregational Church and Society,	8.00
Gilmanton Iron Works—Congregational Church and Society,	10.00
Greenland—Congregational Church and Society,	62.00
Goffstown—Congregational Church and Society,	34.05
Gilsum—Congregational Church and Society,	51.00
Gilmanton—Congregational Church and Society,	7.50
Hebron—Congregational Church and Society, $3.00; Dea. Geo. C. Lang, $1.00,	4.00
Harrisville—Congregational Church and Society,	55.95
Hanover—Congregational Church and Society of Dartmouth College,	159.30
Hopkinton—Congregational Church and Society,	48.00
Hancock—Congregational Church and Society, 5.00; legacy of J. J. Ball, $801.03,	806.03
Haverhill—Congregational Church and Society,	39.06
Hampstead—Congregational Church and Society,	11.95
Hollis—Congregational Church and Society for A. H. M. S.,	5.00
Henniker—Congregational Church and Society $104.00, to constitute Micajah Peaslee life member of A. H. M. S., $30.00,	134.00
Jeffrey—1st Congregational Church and Society, $7.15; estate of Cozby Perkins, $25.00; Mrs. Mary Nutting, $8.00,	40.15
Kensington—Congregational Church and Society,	12.00
Keene—Congregational Church and Society, $22.88; 2d Congregational Church and Society, $14.47,	37.35
Kingston—Congregational Church and Society, $10.00; Rev. J. Chapman, $10.00,	20.00
Lowell, Mass.—Legacy of Anna Holmes,	100.00
Laconia—Rev. Wm. F. Bacon, $16.00; Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Wm. L. Swain life member of A. H. M. S., $30.17,	46.17
Lee—Congregational Church and Society,	28.00
Lebanon—Legacy of Benj. Choate,	25.00
Lyme—Congregational Church and Society,	35.00
Lempster—Congregational Church and Society,	6.00
Langdon—Congregational Church and Society,	12.22
Littleton—Congregational Church and Society,	25.00
Manchester—1st Congregational Church and Society for A. H. M. S., $215.57; Franklin St. Congregational Church and Society, $300.00,	515.57
Monroe—Congregational Church and Society,	10.00
Meriden—Congregational Church and Society to constitute Prof. Cyrus Baldwin life member of A. H. M. S., $35.00; Mrs. Catherine Farnum $5.00,	40.00
Milford—Congregational Church and Society, for A. H. M. S.,	133.25
Marlboro'—Congregational Church and Society,	18.29
Merrimack—Congregational Church and Society,	32.00
Mount Vernon—Congregational Church and Society,	33.00
Milton Mills—Congregational Church and Society,	10.00
Meredith Village—Congregational Church and Society,	20.00
Newcastle—Congregational Church and Society,	6.00
Nashua—1st Congregational Church and Society, $336.32; Pearl St. Congregational Church and Society, $39.82, and a friend, $10.00; Olive St. Congregational Church and Society, $31.53,	417.67
Newington—Congregational Church and Society, $8.10; a friend, $1.00,	9.10
North Hampton—Congregational Church and Society,	48.55
Newport—Congregational Church and Society, $60.15; Erastus D. Taylor, $40.00,	100.15
New Ipswich—Congregational Church and Society, for A. H. M. S.,	28.20.

Newmarket—Congregational Church and Society to constitute William A. Tucker life member,	$48.00
Nelson—Congregational Church and Society,	8.00
Orford—Congregational Church and Society,	14.25
Orfordville—Congregational Church and Society,	7.45
Pelham—Mrs. H. C. Wyman, for A. H. M. S., $10.00; a friend, for A. H. M. S., $10.00; legacy of Miss Sarah Church, $100.00; Congregational Church and Society, $30.00; and for A. H. M. S., $30.00.	180.00
Piermont—Congregational Church and Society, $2.00; in full to constitute Frank Underhill life member, $12.00; Mrs. E. P. Buzzell, $1.00; Congregational Church and Society, 12.00; and Mrs. A. L. Marden, 4.00, in part to constitute Mr. H. H. Palmer life member,	31.00
Pembroke—Congregational Church and Society,	10 00
Peterboro',—Union Congregational Church and Society,	27.00
Portsmouth—North Congregational Church and Society,	180.00
Rindge—Congregational Church and Society,	25.20
Rochester—Congregational Church and Society, $20.55; in full to constitute Rev. J. A. Quick, and Franklin McDuffee life members, $44.15,	64.70
Roxbury—Congregational Church and Society,	6.51
Rye—Congregational Church and Society,	15.00
Sullivan—Congregational Church and Society,	5.00
Salisbury—Congregational Church and Society,	23.00
Swanzey—Congregational Church and Society,	8.86
Stratham—Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Samuel J. Sinclair life member,	36.60
South Newmarket—Congregational Church and Society,	14.24
South Weare—Congregational Church and Society,	13.80
Salem—Congregational Church and Society,	9.50
South Deerfield—Mrs. Martha O. Cilley,	.60
Sanbornton—Congregational Church and Society,	23.25
Stoddard—Mrs. Reed,	.50
Troy—Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Luther Whittemore life member of A. H. M. S.,	31.46
West Lebanon—Congregational Church and Society, $39.97; Sunday School, $25.00,	64.97
Westmoreland—Congregational Church and Society, in part to constitute ——— life member,	23.15
Wilton—Congregational Church and Society,	10.00
Webster—Congregational Church and Society,	14.32
West Concord—Congregational Church and Society,	30.50
Walpole—1st Congregational Church and Society, $41.72; Congregational Church and Society, 10.00,	51.72
Wakefield—Congregational Church and Society,	20.00
Wentworth—Congregational Church and Society,	25.00
Wilmot—Congregational Church and Society,	11.00
Winchester—Ladies' Home Missionary Society,	14.50
Wolfeboro'—1st Congregational Church and Society,	25.00

PERSONS CONSTITUTED LIFE MEMBERS OF THE A. H. M. S. DURING THE YEAR.

Henniker—Micajah Peaslee,
Laconia—William L. Swain,
Meriden—Cyrus Baldwin,
Troy—Luther Whittemore.

PERSONS CONSTITUTED LIFE MEMBERS OF THE N. H. M. S. DURING THE YEAR.

Concord—Alfred S. Marden.
" Robert G. Morrison.
" Charles T. Page.
" Mrs. John C. Thorn.
" Mrs. Thomas M. Lang.
" Ephraim W. Woodward.
" John H. Hill.
" Seth R. Dole.
" Calvin Howe.
" Calvin C. Webster.
" Frank Coffin.
" Jonathan B. Weeks.
" James Morrison.
Exeter—William H. Robinson.
" Robert C. Thompson.
New Market—William A. Tucker.
Piermont—Frank Underhill.
Rochester—Rev. J. A. Quick.
" Franklin McDuffee.
Stratham—Samuel Sinclair.

TABLE

Showing the places where the Anniversaries of the Society have been held, including the Place of its Organization, in 1801, and the whole amount raised in the State for Home Missions each year.

YEARS.	PLACES.	AMOUNT.
1801	Hopkinton,	$51.63
1802	Concord,	386.62
1803	Concord,	309.46
1804	Concord	406.09
1805	Hopkinton,	602.84
1806	Hopkinton,	611.49
1807	Hopkinton,	600.66
1808	Concord,	1,290.48
1809	Concord,	735.92
1810	Concord,	1,288.27
1811	Dunbarton,	953.92
1812	Hollis,	1,520.58
1813	Plymouth,	932.27
1814	Hanover,	2,638.90
1815	Keene,	2,807.98
1816	Concord,	2,633.36
1817	Exeter,	2,395.05
1818	Dover,	2,427.10
1819	Haverhill,	2,537.21
1820	Portsmouth,	1,712.56
1821	New-Ipswich,	1,851.07
1822	Pembroke,	1,755.18
1823	Acworth,	1,846.20
1824	Londonderry (Derry),	2,637.44
1825	Lyme,	1,869.09
1826	Durham,	1,872.07
1827	Rindge,	3,263.65
1828	Salisbury,	1,951.83
1829	Newport,	2,416.71
1830	Portsmouth,	2,479.86
1831	Concord,	2,371.34
1832	Amherst,	5,820.75
1833	Keene,	5,067.66
1834	Meredith Bridge,	4,843.24

YEARS. PLACES.	AMOUNT.
1835—Plymouth,	$7,795.24
1836—Exeter,	4,942.02
1837—Claremont,	5,506.14
1838—New-Ipswich,	5,396.81
1839—Lyme,	4,616.37
1840—Hampton,	4,596.83
1741—Francestown,	5,187.03
1842—Dover,	5,361.11
1843—Nashua,	5,730.36
1844—Concord, South Church,	7,582.66
1845—Portsmouth,	5,365.19
1846—Newport,	9,027.15
1847—Meredith Bridge (Laconia),	6,050.51
1848—Manchester, 1st Church,	7,720.75
1849—Plymouth,	7,010.12
1850—Great Falls,	7,368.54
1851—Acworth,	9,948.47
1852—Pittsfield,	7,896.50
1853—Littleton,	10,461.21
1854—Derry,	8,417.53
1855—Concord, First Church,	7,992.34
1856—Exeter First Church,	6,690.47
1857—Keene	8,148.55
1858—Hampton,	6,732.26
1859—Boscawen,	8,076.99
1860—Claremont,	7,258.60
1861—Portsmouth,	8,148.68
1862—Concord, South,	7,182.49
1863—Haverhill,	8,606.57
1864—Manchester,	7,556.61
1865—Newport,	8,589.13
1866—Dover,	20,064.51
1867—Nashua,	12,068.17
1868—Concord, North Church,	11,810.04
1869—Keene	22,932.54
1870—Milford,	9,598.92
1871—Rochester,	14,600.79
1872—Bristol,	11,962.15
1873—Lacon a,	11,825.23
1874—Exeter,	17,326,70
1875—Claremont,	11,345.18
1876—Littleton,	19,492.80
Total amount raised in seventy-five years,	**$446,508.91**

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APPOINTMENTS AND OFFICERS FOR THE SESSION OF 1878.

SECRETARY.

Rev. FRANKLIN D. AYER, *Concord.*

From 1871: Re-elected 1877.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Rev. SAMUEL L. GEROULD, *Goffstown.*

From 1874: Re-elected 1877.

ANNUAL MEETING at Concord, South Church, September 10, 11 and 12, 1878; commencing Tuesday evening, September 10, at 7 o'clock.

PREACHER OF THE OPENING SERMON, to be appointed.

PREACHER BEFORE THE SACRAMENT, Rev. Thomas V. Haines, North Hampton, *Primary;* Rev. Edward G. Selden, Manchester, *Substitute.*

COMMITTEE OF NOMINATIONS, Rev. Ephraim E. P. Abbott, Newport; Rev. Albert B. Peabody, Stratham; Rev. Frank G. Clark, Rindge.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS, Rev. S. Leroy Blake, Concord; Rev. Franklin D. Ayer, Concord; Dea. Wm. H. Allison, Concord.

ESSAY. The importance of constant and earnest ministerial study. Rev. John Q. Bittinger, Haverhill, *Primary;* Rev. Franklin D. Ayer, Concord, *Substitute.*

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION. 1. Different methods of Bible study. Rev. Charles E. Harrington, Lancaster, *Primary;* Rev. Austin H. Burr, Franklin, *Substitute.*

2. At what period shall we receive young converts into the church, and what methods shall be used to bring them in? Rev. John Bragdon, New Boston, *Primary;* Rev. Clarendon A. Stone, Hopkinton, *Substitute.*

3. Personal Holiness—What are the teachings of the Bible upon this subject? Rev. James W. Hubbell, Portsmouth, *Primary;* Rev. Geo. E. Street, Exeter, *Substitute.*

COUNTY CONFERENCES.

Name.	No. Churches.	Clerk, Statistical Scribe and Treasurer.	Time Meeting June, 1878.	Place of meeting, 1878.	Assessment. $300.00
Cheshire,	26	Rev. F. G. Clark, C. & S. S. George Kingsbury, T.	2d Wedn's'y	Not appointed.	$39.00
Coos,	10	Rev. C. E. Harrington.	2d Tuesday.	Guildhall, Vt.	9.00
Grafton,	21	Rev. Q. Blakely, S. S. Dea. Isaac Willard, C. & T.	2d Tuesday.	Orford.	30.00
Hillsboro',	34	Rev. F. D. Sargent, S. S. Rev. C. L. Hubbard, C. & T.	2d Tuesday.	Hillsboro' Br.	81.00
Merrimack,	25	Rev. S. L. Blake.	2d Tuesday.	Chichester.	40.00
Rockingham,	33	Rev. A. B. Peabody.	2d Tuesday.	Portsmouth.	52.00
Strafford,	31	Rev. S. G. Norcross.	3d Tuesday.	Laconia.	33.00
Sullivan,	12	Rev. Levi Rodgers.	2d Tuesday.	Newport.	16.00

CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

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1. NAME. This body shall be called the GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

II. MEMBERS. This Association shall be composed of delegates from the several District Associations of Ministers, and Conferences of Churches, in the following proportions: namely, one minister for every three members of an Association, and one layman for every three churches belonging to a Conference; and also of the officers, preachers and committees for the year for which they are chosen, the delegates who the preceding year fulfilled their appointments in person, the persons appointed to prepare essays and lead in discussions, the Secretaries and Treasurers of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, the New-Hampshire Bible Society, the New-Hampshire Education Society, and the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund, a representation of the Faculty of Dartmouth College, and the minister of the church with which the Association meets. Twelve members shall constitute a quorum. All other ministers and members of the churches connected with the Association, who may be present, shall be considered as corresponding members, with the right to speak and serve on committees, but not to vote.

III. FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES. 1. It is ever to be understood that the system of Scripture doctrine contained in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism is the basis of our union in this Association. Hence every Association and every Conference in this State, receiving these doctrines as the Christian Faith, is invited to unite in this body.

2. This General Association wholly disclaims ecclesiastical power or authority over the churches, or the opinions of individuals.

3. The essential objects of the Association are "to promote brotherly intercourse and harmony, and our mutual animation, assistance and usefulness as ministers and churches of Christ; to obtain religious information relative to the state of our particular churches, and the general state of the Christian church in this country and throughout the world; and to co-operate with other similar institutions in the most eligible measures for building up the cause of truth and holiness."

IV. MEETING AND ORGANIZATION. 1. This Association shall meet annually, on the Tuesday after the second Sabbath of September, at seven o'clock P.M., in such place as shall be designated at the preceding meeting, and notified by the Secretary, and be opened with a sermon.

2. At the close of this service the preacher shall take the chair, and preside until a Moderator is chosen. The Secretary shall receive the certificates of delegates, and report the names of members; when the Association shall be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an Assistant Scribe, by ballot.

V. PERMANENT OFFICERS AND STATISTICS. 1. The permanent officers of this Association shall be a Secretary and Statistical Secretary, each to be chosen by ballot for the term of three years from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made.

2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of this body, prepare an outline of business, preserve schedules and narratives of the state of religion, conduct the correspondence of this body, and notify all delegates to foreign bodies of their appointment, with the time and places of meeting of bodies to which they are appointed.

3. It shall be the duty of the Statistical Secretary to procure the statistics of the churches, and narratives of the state of religion, through the Statistical Scribes of the several Conferences, complete and arrange them for publication, and prepare from these several reports a narrative of the state of religion, to be read before the Association and published in the minutes. He shall superintend their printing, and be a member of the Publishing Committee. The Statistical Secretary shall be the Treasurer of the Association, and be empowered to receive and pay out such sums of money as the body may direct.

4. These Secretaries shall be allowed their expenses for correspondence and attendance on the meetings of this body.

5. Each Conference connected with this body is requested to appoint a Statistical Scribe, to collect the statistics of the churches within its bounds, in methods designated by this body, and under the direction of the Statistical Secretary of the General Association. In case any Conference shall fail to appoint such a scribe prior to the first day of May, the Statistical Secretary may designate some person to act in this capacity for the year.

6. The statistical returns, with respect to the number in the churches, shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers at the end of the statistical year, which shall commence with the first of January.

VI. VACANCIES. In case of the decease of either one of the permanent officers, or his removal from the State, the duties of his office shall devolve upon his associate.

VII. COMMITTEES. 1. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, of which the minister of the church with which the Association is to meet shall be chairman, shall be appointed for the succeeding meeting, who shall prepare and arrange the business of the session, including the selection of the preacher of the opening sermon; and no business shall be introduced without their consent. But if the committee shall decline presenting any item of business requested by a member, he may appeal from their decision to the Association.

2. At each meeting shall be chosen a Committee of Inquiry, consisting of three, to report during the session, whose duties shall be as follows:

(*a*) To designate three questions of religious doctrine or practice, one of which shall relate to the interests of Sabbath Schools, for the consideration of the Association, and to nominate three persons, with substitutes, to lead the discussion on each of these topics, who shall carefully prepare themselves for this duty, and shall be allowed ten minutes each; to be followed by a general discussion, speakers limited to five minutes each.

(*b*) To designate some topic, respecting ecclesiastical polity and

usage, or missionary and educational enterprises, and to nominate one person, with substitute, to prepare a carefully written essay, not to exceed twenty minutes, to be subject to the subsequent remark of the Association.

3. There shall also be a standing Committee of Nominations, consisting of three persons, so constituted that one member shall go out each year in rotation, whose duty it shall be to make all nominations not otherwise provided for. This committee shall elect a chairman, who shall keep a record of all appointments made by the Association.

4. The Scribe of the Association and the Statistical Secretary, and such other persons as they may select, shall be a committee of publication. They shall revise and publish such extracts of the minutes as they may deem proper, and order such number of copies printed as the Association shall direct. The Statistical Secretary shall send a copy of the minutes to each minister and each church connected with this Association, and copies to other ecclesiastical bodies, in numbers as shall be mutually agreed upon.

VIII. ORDER AND RULES OF PROCEEDINGS. *Tuesday*, 7 P.M. Opening sermon, to be followed by organization, choice of committees and business of the Association.

Wednesday, 9 A. M. Business of the Association.

9 1-2 A. M. Reading of essay, and discussion thereon.

10 1-2 A. M. Brief reports of delegates to foreign bodies, after which, shall be a presentation of benevolent causes; only three of which, in addition to the State Auxiliaries, shall be presented at any meeting. No cause shall be presented oftener than once in two years; and the order of rotation shall be: 1st year, American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions; Congregational Publishing Society; Congregational Union. 2nd year, American Missionary Association; Tract Society; Seaman's Friend Society.

2 P. M. Business of the Association.

2 1-2 P. M. Narrative of the State of religion, with additional statements respecting revivals, and other facts of interest.

4 P. M. Discussion of question relating to Sabbath Schools, or a Children's Meeting.

7 P. M. Minister's and Widow's Charitable Fund.

7 1-2 P. M. Anniversary of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society.

Thursday, 9 A. M. Business of the Association.

9 1-2 A. M. Presentation of the religious condition of Dartmouth College.

10 1-2 A. M. Discussion of question.

2 P. M. The Association will attend religious services, in which a sermon shall be delivered by a minister previously appointed, and our Lord's death commemorated in the sacrament of the supper.

All sessions shall be interspersed with devotional exercises, with a morning prayer-meeting each day, at such times as the Committee of Arrangements shall deem best.

IX. RULES. 1. At the hour of meeting in the morning, the Moderator shall take the chair, call the members to order, direct the roll to be called, open the session with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read. Each session shall be closed with prayer or singing.

2. No motion shall be discussed unless seconded. No member shall speak more than twice on the same motion, without liberty from the Association. Any motion or resolution shall, at the request of the Moderator or any two members, be reduced to writing.

3. The Moderator may speak on points of order, in preference to other members; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he shall not speak on the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and calling some one to preside while he speaks.

4. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question—namely, Shall the main question now be put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate and bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a committee, if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

5. If a question under debate contains several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

6. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair and shall be subject to no needless interruption. If he acts disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of the other members, to call him to order.

7. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting without the consent of the Moderator.

X. CORRESPONDENCE. 1. The Association will maintain a fraternal relation with other ecclesiastical bodies, so far as this shall be deemed consistant with the principles of our organization, by the appointment and interchange of delegates. Representatives from ecclesiastical bodies with whom we are in correspondence shall have the privilege of sitting with us, and participating in our deliberations as honorary members.

2. The Secretary may also, in special cases, at his discretion, give credentials to any member of this body, entitling him to act as its representative at the meeting of similar bodies in other states.

XI. EXPENSES. The cost of printing the Minutes, and other necessary expenses of this Association, shall be defrayed by assessments, apportioned among the several Conferences uniting in this organization, according to the number and relative strength of the churches belonging to each; and the Treasurer of each Conference shall be responsible to the Treasurer of the General Association for the amount so assessed.

XII. AMENDMENTS. Any of the foregoing articles, except the fundamental rules, may be amended or annulled at a regular meeting of this body in which two thirds of the Associations and Conferences are represented, by a majority of the members voting.

MINUTES.

The General Association of New-Hampshire met, for its sixty-eighth annual meeting, at Great Falls, in the Congregational Church, Tuesday, September 11th, at 7 o'clock P. M.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. George B. Spalding, of Dover. Text, Psalms XCIV: 9. "He that planted the ear, shall he not hear? he that formed the eye, shall he not see?" Subject—God's likeness in man.

After the sermon the Association was called to order by the preacher, and Rev. C. W. Wallace, D.D., of Manchester, presented the claims of the New-Hampshire Orphans' Home, at Franklin.

The following persons were enrolled as members:

DELEGATES FROM DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

Belknap—Rev. Geo. I. Bard, Rev. Quincy Blakely, Rev. Joshua S. Gay, Rev. Chas. L. Tappan.

Derry—Rev. Robert W. Haskins, Rev. Chas. Packard, Rev. Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D., Rev. Albert Watson.

Hollis—Rev. Frederic Alvord, Rev. Wm. Clark, D.D.

Merrimack—Rev. Nathaniel Bouton, D.D., Rev. Austin H. Burr, Rev. Albert W. Fiske, Rev. Geo. A. Foss.

Monadnock—Rev. Chas. N. Flanders, Rev. Gilbert B. Richardson.

Orange—Rev. Chas. E. Milliken.

Piscataqua—Rev. Jacob Chapman, Rev. Thomas V. Haines,

Rev. Abram J. Quick, Rev. William A. Rand, Rev. Josiah H. Stearns, Rev. Geo. E. Street, Rev. Isaac C. White.

Union—Rev. Geo. Dustan.

White River—Rev. John M. Dutton.

DELEGATES FROM CONFERENCES.

Grafton—Dea. Wm. G. Brown, Campton.

Hillsboro'—Dea. John E. Foster, Milford; Ezra M. Smith, Esq., Peterboro'.

Merrimack—Dea. Asa McFarland, Concord.

Rockingham—Frank R. Drake, North Hampton; Dea. Edmund Hill, Candia; Eben Joy, Newmarket; Dea. Harvey Kent, Exeter; Thomas J. Melvin, Chester; Phineas Merrill, Stratham; Alfred T. Randlett, Epping.

Strafford—Dea. Luther E. Page, Gilmanton Iron Works; Charles F. Parker, Wolfeboro'; Enoch W. Plummer, Milton; Nathaniel Randall, North Conway.

MEMBERS EX-OFFICIO.

Preachers—Rev. Geo. B. Spalding, Rev. Levi Rodgers.

Secretary—Rev. Franklin D. Ayer.

Statistical Secretary—Rev. Samuel L. Gerould.

Secretary of New-Hampshire Missionary Society—Rev. Edward H. Greeley.

Committee of Arrangements—Rev. Stephen W. Webb, Rev. Abram J. Quick, Albert A. Perkins.

Committee on Nominations—Rev. Frank G. Clark, Rev. Albert B. Peabody.

Auditor—Hon. Lyman D. Stevens, Concord.

Essayist—Rev. Edward H. Greeley.

Leaders in Discussion—Rev. Geo. H. Scott, Prof. Albert C. Perkins, Exeter; Rev. Frank G. Clark.

The Association was organized by the choice of Rev. George Dustan as Moderator; Rev. Isaac C. White as Scribe, and Rev. Chas. N. Flanders as Assistant Scribe.

Rev. Frank G. Clark was chosen a member of the Committee of Nominations, to serve three years.

Voted: To suspend the Rules so far as to allow the Anniversary of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society to occur Wednesday evening, and that the discussion assigned for Wednesday evening be held in the place of the Essay on Systematic Benevolence, Wednesday morning.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Prayer-meeting from 8 to 9 o'clock; conducted by Rev. Nathaniel Bouton, D.D.

9 *o'clock.* Prayer by Rev. Charles T. Melvin. Minutes read by the Scribe.

Rev. Charles E. Milliken, Rev. Thomas V. Haines and Ezra M. Smith, Esq., of Peterboro', were chosen Committee of Inquiry.

Rev. Franklin D. Ayer, Rev. George B. Spalding and Hon. Edward L. Goddard, of Claremont, were chosen delegates to the National Council; and Rev. Frederic Alvord, Rev. Charles E. Milliken and Phineas Merrill, Esq., of Stratham, substitutes.

Rev. Franklin D. Ayer was chosen Secretary; Rev. Samuel L. Gerould, Statistical Secretary and Treasurer, and Hon. Lyman D. Stevens, of Concord, Auditor.

Voted: To change Section 6, of Article V. of the Constitution so that "first of June" shall read, "first of January."

Rev. Frederic Alvord, Rev. Quincy Blakely and Rev. Charles E. Milliken were appointed a Committee to consider the propriety of revising the "Order and Rules of Proceedings."

Discussion—The best method of utilizing the spiritual resources of our churches. Opened by Rev. Geo. H. Scott, and followed by Rev. Messrs. Melvin, Peabody, Street, Dustan, Wm. Clark, D.D.; also, Bro. Allen Folger and Dea. John E. Foster.

Singing—"Must Jesus bear the cross alone?"

Rev. Daniel R. Cady, D.D., of Boston, presented the claims of the Congregational Publishing Society.

Rev. Christopher Cushing, D.D., of Boston, presented the claims of the American Congregational Union.

Rev. E. K. Alden, D.D., of Boston, presented the claims of the American Board.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Charles Tenney.

Dea. Wm. G. Brown spoke in behalf of the New-Hampshire Bible Society; and Rev. W. H. Gilbert, of New Haven, presented the claims of the American Bible Society.

Rev. P. W. Perry presented the fraternal greetings of the Yearly Meeting of the Freewill Baptists, and Rev. W. E. Bennett, the greetings of the New-Hampshire Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to whom the Moderator responded.

Rev. Geo. B. Spalding, delegate to Andover Theological Seminary, made a report.

Singing—"Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

2 *o'clock.* Prayer by Dea. James R. Leavitt.

Singing—"My faith looks up to thee."

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Voted: That $300 be raised for the current expenses of the Association for the coming year.

Voted: To request of Rev. Henry A. Hazen the use of a manuscript containing valuable statistics, with a view to printing the same in the Minutes of the Association.

2½ *o'clock.* Singing—"O Lord, our God, arise."

Prayer by Rev. John M. Dutton.

The Narrative of the State of Religion was read by Rev. Samuel L. Gerould.

Prayer by Rev. Gilbert B. Richardson.

Remarks by Rev. William A. Rand and Rev. Jacob Chapman.

Reminiscences of deceased ministers were given as follows: viz., of Rev. Asahel Bigelow, late of Hancock, by Revs. N. S. Moore and Wm. Clark, D.D., and Ezra M. Smith, Esq.; of Rev. Robert B. Hall, formerly of Wolfeboro', by Rev. Stephen W. Webb; of Rev. E. Irvin Carpenter, late of Swanzey, by Revs. Charles E. Milliken and William Clark, D.D.; of Rev. Asa D. Smith, D.D., by Rev. Nath'l Bouton, D.D., and Allen Folger.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That, bowing with profound submission to the will of God, in the removal by death of Rev. Asa D. Smith, D.D., late President of Dartmouth College, the churches and ministers of this General Association recall, with grateful memory, not only his eminently useful services for the College, but also for the churches and the cause of education and religion in the State.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered on the Minutes of the Association, and that the Secretary communicate them to the bereaved family.

4 *o'clock*. Singing—"I love thy kingdom, Lord."

Discussion—The best means to be used to increase the study of the Scriptures in the Sabbath School. Opened by Rev. Frank G. Clark; followed by Rev. Lewis Grout, Bro. Allen Folger and Rev. John W. Lees.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

7 *o'clock*. Prayer by Rev. Geo. O. Jenness.

Singing—"Children of the heavenly king."

Report of the Ministers' and Widows' Fund, prepared by the Secretary, Rev. W. R. Jewett, in his absence was read by Rev. F. D. Ayer.

Voted: That the report be printed in the Minutes.

Remarks in relation to the Ministers' and Widows' Fund were made by Rev. Nath'l Bouton, D.D., Dea. Asa McFarland and Rev. Wm. Clark, D.D. A collection was taken for this object, amounting to $35.07.

The Association then gave way to the anniversary of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society.

THURSDAY MORNING.

Prayer-meeting from 8 to 9 o'clock, conducted by Thomas J. Melvin, Esq., of Chester.

9 *o'clock*. Prayer by Rev. Geo. A. Foss.

Minutes read by the Scribe, and approved.

Committee on Nominations made the following report, which was adopted:

Place of meeting next year—Concord, South Church.

Preacher before the Sacrament—Rev. Thomas V. Haines, *Primary;* Rev. Edward G. Selden, *Substitute.*

Committee of Arrangements—Rev. S. L. Blake, Rev. F. D. Ayer, Dea. Wm. H. Allison.

Delegate to Andover Theological Seminary—Rev. F. D. Ayer, *Primary;* Rev. I. C. White, *Substitute.*

Voted: To print, next year, 300 copies of the Narrative of the State of Religion, in its separate form, for the use of ministers.

Voted: To print, next year, 1500 copies of the Minutes.

Voted: To pay the Statistical Secretary a salary of $50 annually.

Rev. Frederic Alvord, of the Special Committee on the change of the Constitution, reported in favor of such changes as will assign Wednesday Evening to the Anniversary of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, and make the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper the closing service of the annual meeting of the Association. Adopted.

The Committee of Inquiry presented the following report for 1878, which was adopted:

Essay—The importance of constant and earnest ministerial study. Rev. John Q. Bittinger, *Primary;* Rev. F. D. Ayer, *Substitute.*

Discussions. I. Different methods of Bible study. Rev. Charles E. Harrington, *Primary;* Rev. Austin H. Burr, *Substitute.*

II. At what period shall we receive young converts into the church, and what methods shall be used to bring them in? Rev. John Bragdon, *Primary;* Rev. Clarendon A. Stone, *Substitute.*

III. Personal Holiness—What are the teachings of the Bible upon this subject? Rev. James W. Hubbell, *Primary;* Rev. Geo. E. Street, *Substitute.*

The following Resolution, presented by Rev. Nath'l Bouton, D.D., was adopted:

Resolved, That this Association is in favor of continuing the Parish system, as a part of our Congregational Polity.

10 *o'clock.* Essay by Rev. E. H. Greeley, on Systematic Benevolence.

Singing—"With my substance I will honor."

Voted: That the thanks of this body be presented to Rev. E. H. Greeley, for his able essay on "Systematic Benevolence," and that a copy of the same be requested for publication under the direction of the Secretary and Statistical Secretary; and that, when printed, it be sent to the pastors of our churches, with the request that it be presented to their people.

10½ *o'clock. Discussion*—How shall our Sabbath Services be rendered more effectual of good? Opened by Prof A. C. Perkins; followed by Rev. N. S. Moore, Rev. F. D. Ayer, Rev. E. H. Greeley, Rev. Lewis Grout, Rev. J. H. Stearns, Rev. S. W. Webb, Rev. John Bragdon and Ezra M. Smith, Esq.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

2 *o'clock.* Rev. Levi Rodgers offered the following Resolutions, which were unanimously passed:

Resolved, That this Association gratefully appreciates the care and labor which has made provision for this gathering of our body, and hereby extends hearty thanks to our brother, Rev. S. W. Webb, and others of the Committee, for the very complete arrangements made; and to the people of Great Falls, who have kindly received us to their homes, and given us such generous hospitality; and to the Concord and Portsmouth Railroad for reduction of fare.

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to Nathaniel White, Esq., of Concord, for favors in the distribution of the Minutes through the United States and Canada Express.

Rev. S. W. Webb responded in behalf of the church and people of Great Falls.

The minutes of the morning's service were read and corrected.

Voted: To adjourn at the close of the Communion service this afternoon.

The sermon before the Communion was by Rev. Levi Rodgers, of Claremont, from the text, John XVII: 3—"And this is life eternal, that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." Subject—Knowledge of God in Jesus Christ the life of man.

Rev. Charles Tenney and Rev. Thomas V. Haines officiated at the Communion Table.

Adjourned.

GEO. DUSTAN, *Moderator.*

ISAAC C. WHITE, *Scribe.*

CHAS. N. FLANDERS, *Assistant Scribe.*

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

In reporting the state of religion for the last two years we have had many things to make glad the hearts of God's people. The Holy Spirit had been shed with especial power upon very many churches. We now rejoice in another year of ingathering. Not so many places, perhaps, have been blessed with revivals as in former years, yet the number that have been is not a few. And there has been progress in other directions, especially in the temperance cause. It has been a year of "hard times," yet very much has been done in the way of "repairing the breaches of the house of the Lord." We sometimes feel that no progress is made unless there are revivals, forgetting that there must be seed-time as well as harvest. I doubt if there has been a year in the history of the churches of this State, when so much gospel seed has been sown. It will be indicated by the reports from the several Conferences.

CHESHIRE CONFERENCE.

Rev. F. G. CLARK, *Secretary.*

Ministerial Changes. Rev. Amos Holbrook closed his labors at Harrisville in November, and Rev. H. W. L. Thurston has become acting pastor. Rev. J. F. Bassett has been acting pastor at Jaffrey since October. Roxbury and Surry are supplied during the summer by students. Rev. M. Gould has left Nelson, which is now without a supply. Swanzey has been called, during the past year, to mourn the death of their pastor, Rev. E. I. Carpenter, his wife and the senior deacon, Jonathan D. Ware. Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter died very suddenly in the midst of faithful and laborious service for the Master. Rev. H. H. Saunderson is now acting pastor. Rev. Levi Brigham closed his labors at Troy October 1st, and Rev. James Marshall became acting pastor May 1st.

Repairs and Improvements. The old meeting-house at Dublin has been taken down and rebuilt in another and better locality. The people have had but little outside help, and have a debt of only about one thousand dollars. It was dedicated, and they expected to commence regular service in July. Harrisville, Hinsdale, Rindge, Troy and Winchester report some repairs on parsonages, and the Second Church in Keene the painting of their audience room. At Jaffrey, a parsonage has been given the Society by Dr. John Fox, which has been put in thorough repair and enlarged, at an expense of about twelve hundred dollars. Within two years, the church at East Jaffrey has been raised so as to give, beneath, a pleasant and airy vestry, parlor and kitchen, with all the modern improvements. The audience room has been newly frescoed and furnished, and the house has been slated. The whole cost of repairs amounted to about three thousand dollars.

Payment of Debts. The repairs on the church at East Jaffrey left a debt of five or six hundred dollars, which, with an organ debt of one hundred and seventy dollars, has been recently covered by pledges. The church expects to receive a legacy of three thousand dollars, which has been willed to them, for a parsonage. The church in Rindge has had a legacy of one hundred dollars: twenty-four hundred dollars have been raised by pledges and five hundred by tax, toward the payment of the debt incurred some years ago for repairs. Seventy dollars have been paid toward a small debt on the organ. The church in Swanzey receive three hundred dollars from the estate of Dea. Ware. Winchester receives a legacy of one thousand dollars from Miss Lynda Lyman, the income of which is to be devoted to the support of preaching.

Benevolence. A large number of the churches report a falling off in benevolent contributions. The pastor at Marlboro' writes: "The call for charity at home has been greater than ever before, and our people have responded nobly. This we hope, in the end, will be a benefit to the societies through which we do our missionary work at home and abroad, as the people have been learning to give to the Lord of their substance." The First Church in Keene has adopted the plan of weekly offerings, with

favorable results. The Second Church in Keene reports twelve hundred dollars given—an advance of fifty per cent. on the amount reported last year. The Female Cent Society of Hinsdale has also advanced twenty-five *per cent.* above last year.

Sabbath Services and Attendance. The church in Hinsdale has adopted the plan of one sermon during the summer, which is generally acceptable. Jaffrey has also fallen into line with a marked increase of attendance. The church in Rindge continues the plan of holding afternoon meetings at East and West Rindge, with encouraging results. In Stoddard, a large number are willing to help maintain the institutions of the Gospel.

Social Meetings. The churches in Alstead Center, Hinsdale, Jaffrey, Rindge and Swanzey report extra meetings during a part or the whole of the year, and a special interest among the young people At Winchester, the Young Men's Christian Association is holding out-meetings with good results. There is an increasing interest at Troy and Jaffrey with some inquirers.

Revivals. Several churches report a special interest, but no such marked revivals as last year. Several pastors bear testimony to the permanent results of the interest a year ago, and are hopeful for the future. Eight, each, have been added to the churches in Hinsdale and East Jaffrey; seven, each, to Roxbury and Swanzey; twenty-six to the Second Church in Keene; twenty-five to the church in Nelson; twenty-four to the church in Rindge and seventeen to the church in Westmoreland, besides smaller numbers to five other churches. At Jaffrey the interest began in February, and continued into the summer. Fourteen expected to unite with the church in July. The young people in Stoddard seem to be especially interested, and all classes manifest a willingness to talk upon the subject of personal religion. The outlook is more hopeful than for many years. At Winchester, marked evidences of the Spirit's presence were manifested twice during the year, but no extensive revival. Mr. Moody preached there several times during the summer, and some were led to accept of Christ.

Sabbath Schools. Many of the churches report an increased attendance and interest in the Sabbath School. In Sullivan, five sixths of the congregation attend. At the request of the

pastor, thirteen joined with him in reading the Bible through during the year. A branch school has been organized at East Rindge to accommodate those unable to attend at the Center. The regular attendance of teachers is spoken of as a great encouragement in Westmoreland.

Discouragements. Several of the churches find many things to discourage them in their work. East Alstead, Dublin and Swanzey feel the loss of the pillars of the church, who have been removed by death. Financial embarrassments have hindered the work in some places. Other discouragements mentioned are "the want of loyalty of too many to the church with which they have covenanted to walk as brethren;" "prejudices among those who have grown so cold as to prefer their own private ends to the glory of Christ's Kingdom;" "the lack of consecration of the pocket-book;" "people seem to want to buy the Gospel as they buy anything else—as cheap as possible," and "the conduct of church members in absenting themselves from the house of God and the place of prayer."

COOS CONFERENCE.

Rev. C. E. HARRINGTON, *Secretary.*

While the churches have to report no great, special awakenings, they can report, in general, a very encouraging condition. In some of the churches there has been more than usual interest. The church at Bethlehem is one that has been so visited, and it has progressed in other ways. The corner stone of a new church edifice has been laid, and a new building was to have been ready for use by the last of July. The church in Franconia, which had been dropped from the list, has very hopefully revived, and, under the efforts of a stated supply, a deep interest has appeared, and some have been converted. Very cheering reports have come from the church in Dalton, showing that the preaching of the gospel is gradually improving the moral and religious condition of the town. The church in Lancaster is in a healthy condition and is growing stronger year by year. No special interest has been apparent during the year, and no discouragements are to be seen. The financial obligations have been cheerfully and promptly met, the pastor's salary increased, and the benevolent contributions fully equal to those of the

preceding year. The plan of one preaching service on the Sabbath has been adopted with good results. The morning service is well attended, and the evening service very largely increased in regard to numbers present.

The church at Littleton is exerting its influence to the very borders of the town. A band of young men in the church are doing great good by going out on the afternoon of Sunday and carrying the gospel to those who will not seek it for themselves. The services of the church are well attended and sustained. The benevolent contributions are kept a little in advance of those in other churches in the conference, and the people are being instructed in the great and blessed duty of giving. The church in Colebrook has suffered, with the others, the loss of some of its valuable members by death, but they have to rejoice that while some have been taken, others have been added. Some religious quickening has been experienced in the church, and some without the church have learned that "the gospel is the power of God unto salvation." The church at West Stewartstown reports that its work for the past year has been that of building up the converted, rather than of reaching the impenitent. The efforts have not been without encouragement. One of the best organized and most efficient Sabbath Schools of the State is connected with this church. The scholars are being taught to memorize the Scriptures, and the thoroughness with which the work is done is very apparent.

GRAFTON CONFERENCE.

Rev. Q. BLAKELY, *Secretary.*

The churches in Bridgewater and Thornton have been dropped from the list.

Ministerial Changes. Bath is now supplied by Rev. Geo. W. Kinne. Rev. A. W. Moore has closed his labors at Bristol, and Mr. John M. Hart, a licentiate, has succeeded him. Groton was supplied three months in the summer by a student. Rev. Geo. Smith has been transferred from Danbury to Hanover Center, and Rev. Mr. Lougee is preaching at Danbury. Rev. J. B. Cook has completed three years' labor at Hebron, and the church is now supplied by a Methodist. Dorchester is supplied one half of the time by a Free Baptist. Rev. J. L. Litch has closed

his labors at Monroe, and the church has no minister. After a two years' service at Orfordville, Rev. A. C. Childs has left, and his place is occupied by Rev. T. C. Pratt.

Repairs, Payment of Debts, and Gifts. Extensive repairs on the parsonage in Campton are being made. A debt on the meeting-house in Enfield has been paid, and improvements made on the tenement in the basement of the same. The meeting-houses in Groton and Lebanon have been painted. The late R. B. Kimball, of Lebanon, left a legacy of $3,000 to that church as a permanent fund, the interest to be used in defraying expenses. West Lebanon has received a legacy of $1,500, the interest of which is to be used in supporting the gospel. Orford has improved the interior of their vestry, and placed a new chandelier in it.

Religious interest. Bath reports an increase in Sabbath audiences, and occasional school-house meetings. Campton, besides daily meetings during the Week of Prayer, held frequent extra meetings during the winter. Some of the church were quickened and there were a few hopeful conversions. At Enfield there is more willingness to take part in social meetings, and interest is evidently on the increase; an effort has been made to reach those in the outer districts with the gospel. No revival, but a deepening impression has been made on the people in favor of evangelical religion. At Hanover, "ever since the awakening in 1875, the attendance and attention has been greater than before that blessed event." "The latter part of January special services were conducted in Hebron by a delegation from the Young Men's Christian Association. Christians were to some extent quickened, and a few, we trust, were led to the Savior. It was hoped that an extensive work of grace might be enjoyed, but the way of the Lord did not seem to be thoroughly prepared."

Lebanon has changed their second preaching service from one o'clock to six P. M., and find the attendance at this hour much larger than it used to be at one o'clock. Prayer-meetings on Tuesday and Friday evenings. The one on Tuesday evening is in charge of some lay brother; the influence of which seems to impress the brethren with a sense of personal responsibility when they are not in the chair. A ladies' prayer-meeting has

been started and is proving a means of good. "We are stronger than a year ago, in brotherly love, in devotion, in prayerfulness, in faith and hopefulness," writes the pastor. At West Lebanon, very cheering prospects. Sabbath morning congregation larger than usual. A meeting has been kept up during the year in an out-neighborhood with much interest. Labors of the Gospel Workers in April resulted in a quickening of the church and the the hopeful conversion of several at the time and subsequently. In Lyme, congregational singing has been adopted and is working successfully. A new hymn and tune book is used with great satisfaction. District prayer-meetings held weekly. At Orford, no abatement of interest. The Week of Prayer was observed. Meetings are held in school-houses in districts outlying. "No revival has been had, though there has been religious interest all the time."

Plymouth has enjoyed a refreshing from on high. The Congregational and Methodist churches united in special revival effort, commencing in November with half-hour morning prayer-meetings, also a meeting every evening in some neighborhood remote from the village, the two pastors visiting from house to house during the day. Soon after this effort commenced, Rev. Mr. Potter, the Evangelist, labored here eight days. During the month of January, Mr. Fowler, the Evangelist, labored here. For ten weeks, meetings were held almost daily. The town was greatly blessed. A large proportion of the converts were non-church goers. Many reformed men were converted.

Temperance. Very encouraging reports from all parts of the county, even where no distinctively special efforts have been made. Enfield reports a Reform Club which has been holding meetings of considerable interest during the winter. Hanover reports the interest in temperance remarkable. "Large audiences have assembled from week to week for six months. About 400, of both sexes, have signed a strict pledge to total abstinence, and we can not but trust that many have been saved from the drunkard's life and grave. The effects of this reformation in good morals, public order and, in one or two particulars, in the cause of Religion itself, have been very marked. Our great wish and prayer now is that it may prove as a John the Baptist

to something of a higher, more extensive, permanent and blessed work, a forerunner of a manifested Savior to many souls." At Lyme a movement originated in the church, and, as one result, over 400 have signed the temperance pledge. Lebanon reports a good work in town, in which many of the church have taken part. West Lebanon has a Reform Club which now numbers about 250, with weekly meetings well maintained. Plymouth has a Reform Club which maintains weekly meetings. "This club was a John the Baptist to our revival." Wentworth has two temperance societies.

Several of our smaller churches have suffered loss, not only from emmigration but also by the death of prominent members.

The churches at Bristol, Monroe, Orford, Plymouth and Wentworth have but one preaching service on the Sabbath; and those at Hanover and Lyme have only one during a part of the year. This arrangement seems to be heartily approved by those who have adopted it.

HILLBOROUGH CONFERENCE.

Rev. F. D. SARGENT, *Secretary.*

Ministerial Changes. Only three pastors have resigned their charges during the past year. Rev. T. C. Pratt, who supplied the church at Hancock, left them early in the year. Rev. Washington Choate, pastor of the Franklin St. Church in Manchester, was dismissed in December, on account of ill health. The church in Mason gave up their pastor, Rev. R. P. Wells, for the same reason. He left them to make his home in Norton, Mass., where he died May 25, after a sickness of eight days. Three churches have secured stated supplies or acting pastors: Lyndeborough, Rev. Lincoln Harlow; Olive St., Nashua, Rev. J. K. Aldrich, and Wilton, Rev. J. N. Brown. There are six churches without pastors or stated supplies.

Repairs and Improvements. Brookline has improved the grounds about their church by grading, planting trees, and building fence and horse sheds. At Lyndeborough, a new spire has been erected to take the place of the one destroyed by lightning last July, and a gilded weather vane, the gift of a member of the church, adds to its beauty. Repairs have also been made upon the parsonage. New Ipswich has made repairs on the

parsonage. Mason has frescoed their church in a neat and tasty manner. At Mont Vernon they have carpeted and otherwise improved their house of worship. Merrimack has re-frescoed their church and re-arranged their pulpit and pulpit platform. The First Church, Nashua, has purchased a parsonage. At Greenville, the vestry has been enlarged and a church parlor finished. New Boston has made improvements on its parsonage. Litchfield and Wilton have shingled and painted their church edifices. The Hanover St. Church, Manchester, Olive St., Nashua, and New Boston have made themselves free from debt. Pelham has received a legacy of $3,500, and Peterboro' a gift of $400.

Revivals. Together with the report of little special labor, come correspondingly small revival news. Mention is made by eight or ten pastors of the visits of the committee of the Young Men's Christian Association, in most instances with good results, in all with pleasant meetings. At Lyndeboro' they have held special meetings and seventeen have been hopefully converted. The Hanover St. Church, Manchester, report some twenty conversions. At Milford, union meetings were held, commencing with the Week of Prayer, and continuing two months, which were remarkable for their quiet and earnest spirit. Many found Christ. Thirty-one have already joined the Congregational church as the result of these efforts. In contrast with other seasons of special interest, but few youth have been converted, the majority being business men and heads of families.

Benevolence. Some of our churches report a slight decrease in their benevolent contributions, while others keep up to the old standard. Mason reports more than usual interest in benevolence, and Mont Vernon and Bennington increased contributions. The church in Brookline have introduced the plan of weekly collections for current expenses and benevolent objects. The churches in Goffstown and Wilton collect the money for current expenses by the same plan, and with good results.

Sabbath Schools. Several churches report an increased attendance and interest in the Sabbath School work. In Bedford they are about to organize district Sabbath Schools in the school houses. In Goffstown, an interesting teachers' meeting has

been established, and some of the scholars, also, meet by themselves for the study of the lessons. At Litchfield and South Weare, the attendance is nearly as large as the morning congregation. Milford has a "Pastor's Bible Lecture Class," numbering nearly one hundred.

Sabbath Services, Social Meetings, &c. The churches in Amherst, Antrim, Brookline, Lyndeboro', Mont Vernon, Olive St., Nashua and South Weare give encouraging reports of increased attendance and interest in the Sabbath services, and, almost without exception, the prayer and social meetings of the church are reported as increasing in members and interest.

Temperance. In the matter of temperance, fully one half of the churches are doing nothing, so far as organized work is concerned. In Amherst, Bedford, New Ipswich and Nashua, Reform Clubs are doing active service, and exerting an influence for good. Merrimack never stood better on the temperance question. Antrim, in temperance reform and good morals, is "equalled by few, and excelled by none."

MERRIMACK CONFERENCE.

Rev. S. L. BLAKE, *Secretary*.

Ministerial Changes. Rev. W. E. Spear, of Dunbarton, has leave of absence for one year, during which time he travels in Europe, and his pulpit is supplied by Rev. James Wells. Rev. E. C. Cogswell is supplying the church in Epsom. Rev. M. D. Bisbee was dismissed from Fisherville in May. Mr. L. H. Hoffman, of the last class at Bangor, goes to the church in Henniker, and Rev. G. H. Morss has gone to Vermont. Rev. D. S. Hibbard has gone from Loudon, and accepts the position of Preceptor of Gilmanton Academy. Rev. E. P. Stone has closed his labors at Pembroke, and the church has called Rev. C. M. Perry, of Southwick, Mass., as his successor. Rev. Wm. Scofield, who supplied Salisbury and Webster, has gone to Owego, N. Y. Salisbury is unsupplied, and Rev. Edward Buxton returns to the active duties of his pastorate at Webster. Warner is still without a pastor. Rev. C. B. Tracy has closed his labors at Wilmot and his place is supplied by Rev. J. H. Larry, who also teaches the Academy.

Repairs and Improvements, Gifts. Canterbury has a new organ and new hymn books, at an expense of about $300. The Parsonage at East Concord has been repaired at an expense of $400. The South Church in Concord has received repairs and additions amounting to about $2,000. At Franklin, possession has been obtained of the old Academy building, which has been remodeled and made into a neat, convenient chapel, which, with an organ and furniture, cost $3,700, all of which is paid for. Pittsfield, which last year reported its house of worship in ashes, now reports one of the most beautiful country churches in the State. It is built of brick, as is an adjoining chapel, which can be used as part of the audience room if necessary. The whole cost, including organ and furniture, was about $18,000; and it was dedicated to the Lord, *without a dollar of debt*, one year after the fire. Well done, good and faithful servants! Hopkinton has received from Mrs. James Spofford the sum of $775. Pembroke has a bequest in the will of the late Mrs. Whitehouse of $1,000, which the church will get if the will is sustained.

Sabbath Services, Social Meetings, &c. All of the churches of this Conference speak hopefully, and most, of an increased interest in the social meetings. Consequently several speak of a quickened state of religious interest. Among the most marked are Dunbarton, the First, South and West Churches in Concord, and Hopkinton. Many interesting cases of conversion have occurred in these places. Canterbury and Dunbarton speak of the efficient work of the Executive Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Organized Church Work. In Hopkinton, West Concord and Concord South Church, especial organized efforts have been pushed with great success to reach outlying districts, and the result has been many conversions.

Sabbath Schools. The social study of the Word of God is assuming more and more importance in this Conference. The number of churches that have given up one preaching service for the sake of having more time for the Sabbath School is increasing. The annual conventions are occasions of great interest. There have been over one hundred conversions during

the year in the schools. The enrolled members number three thousand one hundred fifty-three.

This Conference was organized at Salisbury in 1827, and its semi-centennial meeting this year was one of peculiar interest on account of an historical address by Rev. N. Bouton, D. D. It was a rare paper, and showed that a very large number of ministers have gone from this Conference; that the churches have raised, for the various departments of Christ's kingdom, several hundred thousand dollars, and have always been on the right side of public and moral questions. The address is to be printed.

ROCKINGHAM CONFERENCE.

Ministerial Changes. Rev. Mr. Lovejoy has been dismissed from Candia which is now vacant, and Rev. Mr. Huntress from Derry, First Church, which Rev. Dr. Wallace is temporarily supplying. The church in Rye has lost Rev. J. K. Aldrich, though he is not lost to the State. The church in Portsmouth has given a cordial welcome as acting pastor to Rev. James W. Hubbell, formerly of New Haven, Ct., and hopes to have the relation become a permanent one. Rev. Geo. F. Wright has succeeded Rev. Mr. Cogswell as acting pastor in Northwood.

Repairs and Improvements. The First Church in Exeter has thoroughly repaired and refurnished its audience room. The Second Church is taking steps toward remodeling its meeting-house. Hampstead has expended $100 in providing better facilities for lighting its house of worship, while Newcastle has made repairs to the amount of $90. The chapel in Epping has been repaired at an expense of $150. Deerfield and Northampton do not wait for a change of pastorates in order to repair their parsonages, but do it while their ministers are with them.

Payment of Debts, and Gifts. Candia has cancelled its debt of about $850, while Epping has paid $450, and Windham $200 toward the removal of theirs. The church in Atkinson has received $300, and that in Newcastle $67, from friends outside their parishes. The church in Deerfield has received a legacy of $1000 from the late Dr. Stephen Brown, and that in Salem, real estate valued at from $500 to $800 from the late John Page, Esq.

Benevolence. Five of the churches report as much given for outside objects of benevolence as in previous years, while Hampstead has doubled the amount given last year, beside adding $200 to the pastor's salary. Thelarge sum credited to the little church in Plaistow is mostly given by one man and his wife, who are modest enough to have it appear as given by the church, thus setting a worthy example to certain ministers who seem to prefer to have their charities credited to themselves rather than to the churches they serve. There need be no fear but the Lord will know all the givers, large and small, though the names do not appear upon the books of the treasurers of our benevolent socicties. Candia adopted the envelope system for her benevolence two years ago and likes it. The pastor at South Seabrook says: "We have been so needy that our giving has mostly been thanksgiving for gifts received." This is just as acceptable to the Lord if this is all that can be given.

Social Meetings. The social prayer-meetings of a church are a very fair index of its condition. From this we judge the churches of this Conference, for the most part, to be in a healthy state, as very many of them report increased interest. The pastor at Epping writes: "Our social meetiugs have greatly improved both in numbers and influence. We attribute the improvement largely, under God, to an outburst of female talent." Would that there might be such an outburst in all our churches, if a like result could be attained. Atkinson, Chester, Hampton and North Hampton report having sustained a young people's prayer-meeting during the year, as has Seabrook and Hampton Falls, where the meeting is conducted by the young men and boys in town, resulting in their increased activity and Christian growth. A woman's prayer-meeting has been established during the year in the Second Church in Exeter. At Chester, on Sabbath afternoons, three union prayer-meetings have been sustained in as many districts, besides the central meeting in the evening. At Auburn, meetings are held at the school-houses, in the order of their number, which are well attended even by those who seldom come to church on the Sabbath.

Religious Interest. The labors of the Executive Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association are spoken of with

gratitude in Seabrook and Hampton Falls, and in South Seabrook. In the first named place, the pastor writes: "The Lord had wonderfully prepared the way for the coming of Secretary Folger and his band, and their work was crowned with prompt success. The revival interest continued for many weeks. Twenty-one have already been received into the church, and these are not all the fruits of the revival." In South Seabrook meetings were continued nightly for nearly three months, with several conversions. Hampstead has been greatly refreshed, and a large number are now rejoicing in hope. Thirty-five have joined the church by profession and ten by letter. Ten have been added to the church in Atkinson, seventeen to the church in Chester, four to Deerfield, where the pastor's heart is greatly cheered by present prosperity, seven to Epping, nineteen to the two churches in Exeter, thirteen to Hampton, mostly last year's converts, four to Kingston, seven to Newcastle, notwithstanding the report of the pastor that "it's dull times" in the church, six to North Hampton, five to Portsmouth and eight to Salem — indicating a degree of prosperity for which they and we have reason for profound thanksgiving to God. In Derry a work undertaken in a district lying towards Manchester, was followed by a revival in which a score or more were converted. New families from this district now attend the sanctuary. Ten have been added to the church. In Salem a meeting was started at the beginning of the year in a school-house two miles from the sanctuary. Large numbers have attended and deep seriousness has prevailed.

Sabbath Schools. Kingston believes in letting well enough alone, and so has kept its Sabbath School Superintendent twenty-five years. Windham reports "nearly all the congregation in the Sabbath School." Would that this could be said of more of our congregations. Auburn and Newmarket have abandoned the afternoon preaching service to get more time for the Sabbath School, with the result of increasing the attendance upon it and the morning service. At Brentwood the pastor has alternated with the Baptist minister in keeping up an afternoon preaching service and a Sabbath School in a district two miles out.

Temperance. Reform Clubs exist in most of the towns, though with variable prosperity. At Newmarket the Club holds a relig-

ious temperance meeting every Sunday afternoon. No liquor is known to be sold in Brentwood and South Seabrook. At the latter place, cursed as it formerly was by intemperance, the reform is progressing. Public sentiment has come over to the side of temperance. "If it were not for cider," the pastor says, "we should be able to report a very sober community." A new and commodious school-house is now being erected in this place, which promises to do much in the way of education. God's work in this place in twelve years, through the labors of Mr. Rand, has been wonderful.

Discouragements. Of the discouragements reported, I give a list of the more prominent, and, probably, there are few parishes in the State where one or more of them do not apply: "Scattered population;" "emigration of the young;" a "diminishing population;" "want of a chapel;" "proximity to Manchester, where some of our people go for liquor, their people coming to us to break the Sabbath;" "intemperance," and "skepticism." On the other hand, three happy pastors report that they have no special discouragements, as the Lord is able to do great things as easily as little things. Sure enough! Why do we not oftener remember this when we are borne down by the weight of our trials?

STRAFFORD CONFERENCE.

No reports have been received from the churches in Durham, Gilmanton East, Great Falls, Milton, Milton Mills, Salmon Falls, Sandwich and North Sandwich. The church in Tuftonborough has been dropped. Only one member is known to be living, and she is upwards of ninety years of age. The church in Moultonborough has no house of worship, no minister and no preaching.

Ministerial Changes. Rev. E. P. Stone has taken the place of Rev. Mr. Gay at Center Harbor; Mr. C. L. Tomblen, the place of Rev. Mr. Rogers at Gilmanton Iron Works; Rev. Jeremiah E. Fullerton, the place of Rev. Mr. Bacon, at Center Harbor—all as acting pastors. Rev. Mr. Clark, of Milton Mills, Rev. Mr. Haskall of Salmon Falls, and Rev. Mr. Tappan of Sandwich have closed their labors, and their places are, as yet, unfilled. Rev. Franklin Davis has become acting pastor at

Tamworth, which has been without a supply for more than a year. Rev. James De Buchananne supplied the church at Barrington for a short time in the spring, and was there ordained, without charge, in May, but closed his labors very soon.

Repairs, Gifts and Payments of Debts. The Belknap Church in Dover has been repaired, and received a new carpet and furnaces. Less extensive repairs have been made to the church and parsonage in Wakefield. A stable and wood shed have been added to the conveniences of the parsonage in Center Ossipee. The debt of one thousand dollars on the parsonage at Center Harbor has, for some time, hung as a heavy weight upon the society. Successful efforts to remove it have been made during the year, and the society has assumed the support of Mr. Stone without aid from the Missionary Society. A part of the indebtedness at Conway has been removed. The society in Alton has received six hundred dollars from Miss Addie Morrison, Effingham a legacy of fifty dollars, and Gilmanton Iron Works a gift of three hundred thirty-three dollars. The society at Effingham has been re-organized.

Sabbath Services. The church in Alton has but one preaching service. Increased attendance and interest on public worship and social meetings is reported from Conway, Dover First, Lee and Meredith. The pastor at Ossipee Center makes this interesting report: "There are regular attendants upon public worship from thirty-seven of our forty families, and, in most instances, the rule is for all to attend who are able. They go because they have been brought up to go, and very generally becausethey like to go."

Religious Interest. The Gospel meetings conducted by Mr. Allen Folger in Alton, Effingham, Gilmanton Center, Ossipee Center, Sanbornton, Wakefield and Wolfeborough are spoken of by the respective pastors of those churches as being greatly blessed to them. At Alton eight or ten have entertained a hope; at Effingham several have been converted who would be glad to join a Congregational church. At Wakefield five have been added to the church as the result of the meetings, and more are expected; at Wolfeborough from seventy-five to one hundred were hopefully converted in the three churches uniting in the

meetings, twenty-five of whom are expecting to join the Congregational church. At Center Ossipee there have been about seventy hopeful conversions; fourteen have already been added to the church. The pastor says it is usual for from twenty-five to forty to take part in the Sabbath evening meeting, and one half as many in the Wednesday evening meeting. With regard to the work in Sanbornton, Mr. Runnels says: "Some forty or more took the position of inquirers at the Gospel Meetings, and there were several genuine conversions. After the 'Workers' left, some of the most interesting cases occurred—like the conversion of one bold, blasphemous infidel who now gives evidence of having met with a radical change. He was formerly an active member of a Tom Paine Club in Boston; now he loves and attends the prayer-meeting; has erected a family altar, and ceases from the gross profanity and vituperation against Christ and the Bible, to which he was formerly addicted. Six or more male heads of families are included among the converts." The pastor does not give us his views as to the origin of this refreshing, but, perhaps, what he says under the head of "Social Meetings" will aid us in forming an opinion in regard to it. He says: "In the three neighborhoods where social meetings have been previously held, they are still continued. In one of them a large Bible has been purchased, and in the space for family records, the names of the brethren who take their turns in conducting the meetings are entered. There is no flagging or failing. Each one who conducts a meeting announces at the close whose turn is next; and thus, for two years, two meetings a week have been sustained without an intermission, and wholly independent of the pastor. In one other neighborhood, where no social meeting had been regularly held, and the last man accustomed to pray in public had died, two brethren felt drawn by the Spirit to organize one. They pledged themselves to sustain it and enlist others, though they, before this, had never prayed publicly, and one of them was not a church member. Now that meeting is carried on each Friday and Sabbath evening, the latter preceded by a Sabbath School, and no less than six in that neighborhood now take their turns in conducting the meetings one week each."

There has been more or less religious interest in Barnstead, where four have been added to the church; in the Belknap Church, Dover, which with other churches employed an evangelist and has received seven new members and expects more; in Farmington, where ten have been added to the church; in Lee, where two weeks meetings were held; in Meredith, where a religious festival, lasting two weeks, with daily meetings, was entered into by the church, resulting in the quickening of Christians, in the establishment of a young people's prayer-meeting, where it is usual for about all who attend to take part; and in Rochester, where the Week of Prayer was followed by better prayer-meetings, more taking part and a more devotional spirit displayed. A precious harvest season, already resulting in the addition of seventy-six, has been enjoyed by the First Church in Dover. The pastor says: "The great gathering into our church is only a harvest following a period of seed time and growth. Without any outside help, without any very special effort, without 'methods,' and 'without observation,' the Kingdom of God has been built up among us. In the very beginning of the year I appointed a meeting at my study for religious conversation. There has been no evening during these four months that there have not been present some for the first time, to tell of their new convictions or hopes. All classes have been represented. Whole households have become 'households of faith.' Men of skeptical training and character, and others, enslaved by appetite, have found faith and liberty in Christ. The interest gives no sign of abatement. The young children of the Sunday School are now coming to me to express their earnest desire to unite themselves with Christ's church. The simplicity and yet strength of their faith, the clearness and correctness of their views, the genuineness and thoroughness of their experiences, are often most startling to me."

Sabbath Schools. The service for the social study of God's Word is reported as assuming much more importance than forerly, more attending and more interest being manifested. Alton has a branch Sabbath School, three miles from the village, which is followed by a preaching service. Forty copies of the Well-Spring are taken by the school in Conway. In Lee the Sab-

bath School holds a very prominent place in the interest of the people, there being two hundred members. At Meredith the custom of electing the Superintendent by the church, and for two years, has been adopted. All other church officers, except the pastor, are elected for the same length of time.

Temperance. Large and prosperous Reform Clubs are reported in Alton and Meredith. At the former place many hard drinkers have become members; at the latter the ladies take part in the meetings. At Dover and Rochester the work goes on, the law against selling liquor being enforced. At Gilmanton Center, Tamworth and Ossipee Center, no liquor is known to be sold; while at the latter place there are few drinkers. The temperance work in the latter place prepared the way for the revival.

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The church in East Lempster has been dropped. Rev. James Marshall has been dismissed from the church in Acworth, and Rev. Dr. Labaree is supplying for the summer. Rev. Mr. Thurston has closed his two years' labors at Goshen, and given place to a Baptist, who will supply for two years. Mr. George H. Dunlap, a late graduate of Bangor, has been engaged as acting pastor at Charlestown. The society in the latter place have repaired the meeting-house at an expense of $1,250, beside providing a chapel. This has been accomplished through the efforts, and largely through the pecuniary assistance, of Rev. Dr. Labaree. At Cornish and Plainfield slight repairs have been made. At Newport a parsonage costing $3,500 is being erected. Union meetings were held in Claremont in February, conducted by Rev. F. V. D. Garretson, followed by a very quiet work of grace, in which one after another yielded themselves to Christ. Most of the converts were in the vigor of life. Twenty-two have been added to the church by confession. The church in Croydon is nearly extinct. The only religious services, of our order, enjoyed by them is preaching for a few Sabbaths in the summer by Rev. Austin Putnam, a native of the place. An aged member gives this report: "Intemperance, Sabbath breaking and profanity are rife here. The religious element is so small that its influence is scarcely felt." Is not this missionary ground?

At Langdon the Sabbath service, prayer-meetings and Sunday School indicate more religious interest. Two have united with the church by confession. The Universalists have discontinued all regular meetings, which means a good deal to those acquainted with the place, once the scene of Abner Kneeland's labors. At Meriden the interest in all the many meetings, sustained by the church and the students in the Academy, has been kept up. Indications of interest appeared in connection with the "Gospel Meetings" held in this place, but the permanent results were not what were hoped for.

CONCLUSION.

In view of the report now presented, have we not reason to thank God and take courage? Shall there not be an advance all along the line, to hold the ground already taken? The church of Christ is no place for laggards. Our great Commander says, "Go forward." Shall we obey, and thus be able to report, as we come each year to our annual feast, fresh victories and stronger entrenchments? There is danger that we become satisfied, in a measure, with what has already been accomplished. If we yield to the feeling it will be fatal to our work. The enemy of souls should receive no respite and no quarter.

I am satisfied that a work has been accomplished, during the year, of which no report has been made, and no detail can be given. I refer to the growth of grace in individual hearts, resulting, in part, from the Tabernacle meetings in Boston. Multitudes of Christians have read the reports of those meetings, and they have been moved to search their hearts as never before, and to enter upon a more active Christian life.

Let us ever remember Christ's words, "Without me ye can do nothing," and couple with them Paul's language, "I can do all things through Christ, who strengtheneth me."

S. L. Gerould, *Statistical Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE MINISTERS' AND WIDOWS' CHARITABLE FUND.

The Trustees of the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund would hereby report to the General Association of New-Hampshire, that their annual meeting was held in Concord, June 6, 1877.

The Treasurer's reports were read and adopted, and the following persons were elected officers for the ensuing year:

Rev. N. Bouton, D.D., *President.*
Rev. Wm. R. Jewett, *Secretary.*
Shadrack Seavey, Esq., *Treasurer.*
L. D. Stevens, Asa McFarland, } *Auditors.*

The President, Secretary and Treasurer constitute the Prudential Committee.

The annual business having been transacted, the Trustees adjourned.

At a meeting of the Prudential Committee, held after the adjournment of the Trustees, it was voted to appropriate two hundred and seventy-five dollars to four clergymen in restricted circumstances, and one hundred and fifty dollars to five widows of deceased clergymen, who are left in restricted circumstances.

The only expenses incurred by the Trustees, the last year, were one dollar and fifty cents.

Donations have been as follows:

WIDOWS' CHARITABLE FUND.

Exeter—Ladies of,	$58.25
Bindge—Congregational Church,	7.50
Total,	$65.75

MINISTERS' AND WIDOWS' CHARITABLE FUND.

Concord—First Cong. Church,	$39.16
Concord—South " "	42.45
Epping—Cong. Church,	4.50
Gilmanton Center—Cong. Church,	3.50
Goffstown—Cong. Church,	7.75
Hanover— " "	38.46
Hanover— " "	31.22
Lancaster— " "	10.00
Nashua—1st " "	24.00
Plymouth— " "	13.06
Rochester— " "	17.26
Sanbornton— " "	16.00
Stratham— " "	7.50
Winchester— " "	2.50
Rev. Lyman White,	2.00
Contribution at General Association,	105.80
Total,	$365.16

The following persons have been made Memorial Members of the Ministers' and Widows' Fund:

Mrs. R. W. Jewett, Hollis, by Rev. Wm. R. Jewett.
Mrs. John K. Young, Laconia, " " "
Mrs. Alma L. Curtis, Nashua.

WM. R. JEWETT, *Secretary.*

Concord, Sept., 1877.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

General Association of New-Hampshire, in account with S. L. GEROULD, *Treasurer.*

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Sept. 1, 1876.	By balance from last year,		$434.62
June 13, 1877.	By cash from Hillsboro' Conference,		83.00
" 15, "	"	" Rockingham "	52.00
" 21, "	"	" Sullivan "	16.00
" 22, "	"	" Merrimack "	42.00
July 4, "	"	" Cheshire "	36.00
" 21, "	"	" Grafton "	30.00
Aug. 25, "	"	" Strafford. "	33.00
			$726.62

DR.

Sept. 22, 1876.	To cash paid Rev. E. H. Greeley, expenses,		$9.67
Nov. 8, "	"	" Rev. C. E. Milliken, "	6.72
" 10, "	"	" R. W. Musgrove, printing Minutes,	252.09
Jan. 2, 1877.	"	" F. S. Crawford, for blanks,	1.00
" 16, "	"	" R. W. Musgrove, for circulars,	4.62
" 30, "	"	" " " " "	.75
Aug. 31, "	"	" Expenses, postage, express and stationery,	28.83
" 31, "	"	" Rev. F. D. Ayer, expenses,	5.90
	Balance now in the Treasury,		417.04
			$726.62

This may certify that I have examined the account of Rev. S. L. Gerould, as Treasurer of the General Association of the churches of New-Hampshire, and find the same correct and supported by proper vouchers, and that there remains in his hands a balance of four hundred and seventeen dollars and four cents.

Great Falls, N. H., Sept. 12, 1877.

L. D. STEVENS, *Auditor.*

THE ANNUAL STATISTICS.

ASSOCIATIONS.

NAMES, DATE OF ORDINATION AND OCCUPATION OF MEMBERS. RESIDENCE WILL BE FOUND IN ALPHABETICAL LIST OF NAMES, WITH POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

ABBREVIATIONS: *P.—Pastor; A. P.—Acting Pastor; W. C.—Without Charge; T.—Teacher.*

I. BELKNAP ASSOCIATION.

Organized 20 April, 1841. Q. BLAKELY, *Scribe.*

Meets Tuesdays, before last Sabbath in January and October, and second in May and August.

William F. Bacon,	26 Sept., '67.	W. C.	Joshua S. Gay,	27 Jan., '48.	A. P.
George I. Bard,	17 Oct., '60.	P.	James B. Hadley,	20 Sept., '37.	W. C.
Almon Benson,	23 Dec., '40.	W. C.	David S. Hibbard,	26 July, '60.	T.
Joseph Blake, D.D.,	3 March, '41.	P.	Giles Leach,	6 Feb., '33.	W. C.
Quincy Blakely,	16 Feb., '59.	P.	Moses T. Runnels,	13 Aug., '56.	P.
John Clark,	23 Jan., '35.	W. C.	George H. Scott,	3 Sept., '73.	P.
Liba Conant,	29 May, '23.	W. C.	Charles L. Tappan,	28 Jan., '64.	W. C.

II. DERRY ASSOCIATION.

Organized 7 May, 1834. C. L. HUBBARD, *Scribe.*

Meets third Tuesday in February, April, June, October and December.

Augustus Berry,	30 Oct., '61.	P.	A. Burton Palmer,	1 Feb., '76.	A. P.
Ebenezer W. Bullard,	8 Aug., '38.	W. C.	Ebenezer G. Parsons,	4 Oct., '37.	T.
Samuel L. Gerould,	2 Oct., '61.	P.	Luther B. Pert,	25 Oct., '70.	P.
Robert W. Haskins,	19 Nov. '72.	P.	William H. Rand,	17 Jan., '72.	W. C.
Charles L. Hubbard,	2 Sept., '68.	P.	Edward G. Selden,	16 Dec., '73.	P.
Edward S. Huntress,	3 Sept., '69.	A. P.	Charles Tenney,	7 Feb., '44.	P.
George E. Lovejoy,	16 July, '73.	A. P.	Ira C. Tyson,	7 Oct., '62.	P.
Charles T. Melvin,	18 Oct. '59.	A. P.	Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D.,	8 Jan., '40.	A. P.
Charles Packard,	6 May, '46.	P.	Albert Watson,	27 June, '71.	P.
Jesse Page,	16 Sept., '35.	W. C.			

III. HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

Organized 4 March, 1834.

In the condition of suspended animation, having no active members, so far as is known. The following persons, once members, have never removed their relation:

Nathaniel Barker, 1 Nov., '26. W. C. | James Doldt, 21 Sept., '43. A. P.

IV. HOLLIS ASSOCIATION.

Organized 5 May, 1762. GEORGE F. MERRIAM, *Scribe.*

Meets first Tuesday in Feb., May, August and November.

Jeremiah K. Aldrich,	17 Feb., '63.	A. P.	Sanford S. Martyn,	29 Apr., '68.	P.
Frederick Alvord,	21 July, '58.	P.	George F. Merriam,	9 Mar., '65.	P.
Justin N. Brown,	23 Oct., '70.	A. P.	George Pierce, jr.,	14 Oct., '63.	P.
William Clark, D.D.,	30 Apr., '28.	W. C.	Austin Richards, D.D.,	7 Nov., '27.	W. C.
William L. S. Clark,	Sept., '44.	A. P.	Thomas S. Robie,	25 Oct., '59.	W. C.
Josiah G. Davis, D.D.,	22 May, '44.	P.	Frank D. Sargent,	20 Oct., '69.	P.
Daniel Goodwin,	27 Feb., '39.	P.	Bela N. Seymour,	20 June, '55.	A. P.
George Goodyear,	22 July, '28.	W. C.	Amos F. Shattuck,	3 June, '68.	W. C.
Seth H. Keeler, D.D.,	15 Oct., '29.	W. C.	Charles Wetherby,	28 Sept., '59.	P.
Hiram L. Kelsey,	16 Apr., '65.	P.			

V. LANCASTER ASSOCIATION.

Organized 13 August, 1833. No Scribe. Books in hands of Albert E. Hall. No meetings.

Leonard W. Harris, 2 Nov., '42. A. P. |

VI. MERRIMACK ASSOCIATION.

Organized 29 August, 1788. ABRAHAM BURNHAM, *Scribe.*

Meets first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September and October.

Franklin D. Ayer,	1 May, '61.	P.	William R. Jewett,	18 Jan., '37.	W. C.
S. Leroy Blake,	7 Dec., '64.	P.	Silas Ketchum,	17 Sept., '67.	A. P.
Nath'l Bouton, D.D.,	23 Mar., '25.	W. C.	Henry A. Kendall,	21 Oct., '40.	W. C.
Abraham Burnham,	30 Sept., '57.	A. P.	*Daniel McClenning,	29 Apr., '52.	W. C.
Austin H. Burr,	3 Nov., '75.	P.	Howard Moody,	22 Nov., '43.	A. P.
Edward Buxton,	10 Apr., '36.	P.	Frederic T. Perkins,	11 Jan., '43.	A. P.
John W. Colwell,	22 Sept., '75.	P.	George Smith,	9 Aug., '53.	A. P.
Jona. B. Cook,	18 Dec., '50.	W. C.	William E. Spear,	16 Oct., '73.	P.
Corban Curtice,	5 Oct., '43.	W. C.	Clarendon A. Stone,	2 Apr., '78.	P.
Albert W. Fiske,	28 May, '33.	W. C.	Edward P. Stone,	14 Oct., '61.	A. P.
George A. Foss,	24 Feb., '74.	P.	Caleb B. Tracy,	10 Mar., '30.	W. C.
Joseph A. Freeman,	30 June, '75.	P.	Lyman White,	23 Oct., '49.	A. P.
Matthew A. Gates,	2 Sept., '58.	A. P.	Isaac Willey,	18 Jan., '26.	W. C.
Edward H. Greeley,	7 Nov., '49.	Sec.			

*Also member Union Association.

VII. MONADNOCK ASSOCIATION.

Organized 5 August, 1793. ELIJAH HARMON, *Scribe.*

Meets second Tuesday in May, August, October and December.

John F. Bassett,	30 Mar., '68.	A. P.	Elijah Harmon,	17 Oct., '67.	P.
Levi Brigham,	15 Mar., '37.	W. C.	Silvanus Hayward,	9 Oct., '61.	A. P.
Justin E. Burbank,	13 Apr., '58.	(?)	Joseph A. Leach,	23 Feb., '64.	P.
George F. Chapin,	15 Apr., '66.	A. P.	John L. Merrill,	31 Oct., '60.	P.
Frank G. Clark,	2 Sept., '69.	P.	Cyrus Richardson,	30 Sept., '69.	P.
Henry H. Colburn,	19 May, '69.	A. P.	Geo. B. Richardson,	30 June, '57.	A. P.
John Colby,	31 Oct., '55.	A. P.	Thomas E. Roberts,	28 Mar., '61.	W. C.
Samuel S. Drake,	15 Oct., '34.	A. P.	Charles C. Watson,	2 July, '67.	P.
Charles N. Flanders,	29 Dec. '74.	P.	Horace Wood,	10 July, '39.	W. C.
Mark Gould,	8 Oct., '51.	W. C.			

VIII. ORANGE ASSOCIATION.

Organized 7 October, 1801. L. H. ELLIOT, Bradford, Vt., *Scribe.*

Meets first Tuesday in February, May and September.

James Aiken,	30 Aug., '43.	W. C.	Francis B. Knowlton,	29 Aug., '65.	A. P.
John Q. Bittinger,	25 Oct., '60.	P.	Augustus L. Marden,	30 May, 61.	P.
Edward P. Butler,	20 Oct., '74.	P.	Charles E. Milliken,	28 Sept., '60.	P.
Alexander C. Child,	18 May, '53.	W. C.	Theodore C. Pratt.	21 June, '59.	A. P.
Chas. E. Harrington,	27 Oct., '74.	P.	Erdix Tenny, D.D.,	5 Jan., '31.	W. C.

IX. PISCATAQUA ASSOCIATION.

Organized 24 October, 1781. ISAAC C. WHITE, *Scribe.*

Meets third Tuesday in January, April, July and October.

John O. Barrows,	9 June, '64.	Mis'y.	Isaac T. Otis,	10 June, '35.	W. C.
Joseph Bartlett,	7 Oct., '47.	A. P.	William A. Patten,	18 July, '50.	W. C.
Samuel Bowker,	10 Dec., '45.	A. P.	Albert B. Peabody,	24 May, '60.	P.
Swift Byington,	17 Nov., '52.	P.	Paul H. Pitkin,	11 Sept., '66,	A. P.
Frederic D. Chandler,	11 April, '69.	P.	Abram J. Quick,	7 Mar., '64.	A. P.
Jacob Chapman,	23 June, '45.	P.	William A. Rand,	9 July, '75.	P.
Samuel W. Clark,	14 Jan., '74.	A. P.	Edward Robie, D.D.,	25 Feb., '52.	P.
Sumner Clark,	1 Jan., '45.	W. C.	Isaiah P. Smith,	19 Oct., '64.	W. C.
Leander S. Coan,	18 June, '63.	A. P.	Geo. B. Spalding,	5 Oct., '61.	P.
Franklin Davis,	6 Oct., '47.	A. P.	Josiah H. Stearns,	6 Nov., '44.	A. P.
Thomas V. Haines,	1 Feb., '61.	P.	Harvey M. Stone,	2 Nov., '48.	W. C.
Frank Haley,	7 Oct., '63.	A. P.	Geo. E. Street,	6 April, '64.	P.
Ezra Haskell,	22 Aug., '60.	W. C.	Geo. W. Thompson,	29 Apr., '40.	W. C.
William C. Jackson,	13 Oct., '35.	A. P.	Stephen W. Webb,	19 Apr., '70.	P.
John W. Lees,	16 Nov., '70.	P.	Isaac C. White,	23 Oct., '50.	A. P.
W. Carlos Martyn,	25 June, '69.	P.			

X. SULLIVAN ASSOCIATION.

Organized 24 May, 1829. CHARLES M. PALMER, *Scribe.*

Meets second Tuesday in February, May, September and November.

E. E. P. Abbott,	6 May, '68.	P.	Geo. W. Kinne,	29 Apr., '74.	A. P.
Lewis A. Austin,	26 June, '62.	A. P.	John LeBosquet,	21 Sept., '36.	A. P.
Edward W. Clark,	1 Jan., '50.	W. C.	James Marshall,	10 Dec., '71.	A. P.
Charles A. Downs,	1 May, '49.	*	Charles M. Palmer,	8 Dec., '68.	P.
James T. Jackson,	17 Dec., '74.	P.	Levi Rodgers,	19 Oct., '71.	P.

*Supt. Public Instruction for the State of New-Hampshire.

XI. SUNCOOK ASSOCIATION.

Organized before 1809. W. O. CARR, *Scribe.*

Meets second Tuesday in January, April, July and October.

Jeremiah Blake, M.D.,	1 Nov., '38.	*	Jacob Chapman,†	23 June., '45.	P.
William O. Carr,	13 Feb., '61.	A. P.	Mark Gould,‡	8 Oct., '51.	W. C.

*Physician.

†Also member Piscataqua Association.

‡Also member Monadnock Association.

XII. UNION ASSOCIATION.

Organized 18 December, 1812. GEO. DUSTAN, *Scribe.*

Meets second Tuesday in May, August and October.

John Adams,	21 July, '41.	A. P.	Morris Holman,	15 Jan., '45.	W. C.
Harry Brickett,	28 Jan., '58.	A. P.	James Holmes,	22 June, '42.	A. P.
Warren R. Cochrane,	18 Mar., '69.	P.	Daniel McClenning,	29 Apr., '52.	W. C.
George Dustan,	19 Oct., '59.	P.	Sam'l H. Partridge,	10 May, '53.	A. P.

XIII. WHITE RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Organized 14 October, 1845. S. I. BRIANT, Hartford, Vt., *Scribe.*

Meets Second Tuesday in January, May, July, September and November, and third Tuesday in March.

John Adams,*	21 July, '41.	A. P.	Daniel J. Noyes, D.D.,	3 May '37.	‡
John Q. Bittenger,†	25 Oct., '60.	P.	Henry E. Parker,	13 Mar., '49.	‡
John M. Dutton,	20 June, '76.	P.	Alonzo B. Rich, D.D.,	18 Feb., '46.	P.
Vaola J. Hartshorne,	16 Jan., '65.	A. P.	Heman Rood, D.D.,	12 July, '26.	W. C.
Samuel P. Leeds, D.D.,	18 June, '51.	P.	Edwin D. Sanborn, LL.D.	Not	‡

*Also member Union Association.

†Also member Orange Association.

‡Professor Dartmouth College.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

FROM JUNE 1, 1876, TO JANUARY 1, 1877

I. CHESHIRE CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED KEENE, OCT. 4, 1829.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1877.			Ch. Mem's, Jan. 1, '77.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Alstead Center, 1st,	1778	Gilbert B. Richardson,	June 30,1857	*A.p.*Apr. 8, 1874	17	31	48	6	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
" East, 2nd,	1788	Gilbert B. Richardson,	June 30,1857	*A.p.*Apr. 8, 1874	34	52	86	25	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
" 3rd,	1842	George F. Chapin,*	Apr. 15,1866	*A.p.*Apr. 1, 1873	8	29	37	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Chesterfield,	1771				3	5	8	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Dublin, Trin. Cong.,	1827				6	9	15	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fitzwilliam,	1771	John Colby,	Oct. 31, 1855	*A.p.*May 4, 1873	45	108	153	18	9	0	9	2	0	0	2	5	0
Gilsum,	1772	Silvanus Hayward,	Oct, 9, 1861	*A.p.*Sept. 1, 1875	15	40	55	7	0	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	0
Harrisville,	1840	HenryW. L. Thurston,	Aug. 25,1875	*A.p.*May 1, 1877	20	50	70	19	6	0	6	1	6	0	7	4	2
Hinsdale,	1763	Charles C. Watson,	July 2, 1867	Dec. 13,1871	43	123	166	17	0	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	0
Jaffrey,	1780	John F. Bassett,	Mar. 27,1870	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1876	33	53	86	24	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" East,	1850	William H. Dowden,	Nov. 5, 1863	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1875	21	78	99	7	21	2	23	1	1	0	2	5	1
Keene, 1st,	1738	Cyrus Richardson,	Sept. 30,1869	July 10, 1873	80	237	317	25	28	5	33	3	2	2	7	20	2
" 2nd,	1867	Joseph A. Leach,	Feb. 23, 1864	Sept. 15,1869	95	213	308	47	12	11	23	1	4	0	5	5	2
Marlborough,	1778	John L. Merrill,	Oct. 31, 1860	May 2, 1871	64	132	196	19	4	0	4	3	4	0	7	4	2
Nelson,	1781				44	66	110	26	28	4	32	0	0	0	0	21	1
Rindge,	1765	Frank G. Clark,	Sept. 2, 1869	June 3, 1873	63	130	193	25	19	2	21	3	3	0	6	15	0
Roxbury,	1816				8	21	29	7	7	0	7	0	1	0	1	5	0
Stoddard,	1787	Henry H. Colburn,†	May 19, 1869	*A.p.*Apr. 16,1873	10	41	51	16	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Sullivan,	1792	Samuel S. Drake,	Oct. 15, 1834	*A.p* June 29,1873	30	44	74	15	2	1	3	0	2	0	2	0	0
" East,	1876				24	23	47	0	17	1	18	0	0	0	0	14	0
Surry,	1769				1	6	7	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Swanzey,	1741	Henry H. Saunderson,	Apr. 20,1848	*A.p.*June 1, 1877	32	50	82	10	6	1	7	2	0	0	2	6	0
Troy,	1815	James Marshall,	Dec. 10, 1871	*A.p.*May 1, 1877	37	70	107	20	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	3	7
Walpole,	1761	Fred L. Allen,		*P.e.* 1877	22	74	96	22	12	0	12	2	0	1	3	8	0
Westmoreland,	1764	Charles N. Flanders,	Dec. 29, 1874	Dec. 29, 1874	36	81	117	22	13	3	16	4	1	0	5	11	0
Winchester,	1736	Elijah Harmon,	Oct. 17, 1867	Oct. 17, 1867	63	114	177	28	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	2
					854	1880	2734	425	189	35	224	37	27	3	67	127	19

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 7; with Acting Pastors, 12; Vacant, 7; Total, 26.

*Also A. P., Langdon, Sullivan Conference.

CHESHIRE CONFERENCE—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. Sch.		Amount contributed from June 1 to December 31, 1876.							Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	Col. & Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total Foregoing.	
Alstead Center, 1st,	32	65	45	.....	$10.00	.....	$4.20	.....	$8.45	$22.65	Dea. Whitney Breed.
" East, 2nd,	44	80	50	.....	4.00	.....	14.22	.....	4.45	22.67	Rev. G. B. Richardson.
" 3d,	47	80	40	.....	15.85	.....	.....	.....	20.80	36.65	Rev. Geo. F. Chapin.
Chesterfield,		0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Rev. J. Hall.
Dublin,	8	30	20	.....	.....	.....	10.25	.....	.....	10.25	Augustine Wood.
Fitzwilliam,	109	189	71	.....	20.00	.....	43.65	.....	.....	63.65	Timothy Blodgett.
Gilsum,	75	140	75	.....	15.00	.....	27.50	.....	2 25	44.75	Rev. S. Hayward.
Harrisville,	56	110	70	.....	33.60	3.20	10.20	.....	29.00	76.00	C. C. P. Harris.
Hinsdale,	110	215	105	$8.00	55.23	40.45	55.00	8.00	44.00	210.68	Jewett P. Wellman.
Jaffrey,	40	105	61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Gurley A. Phelps.
" East,	31	100	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	S. Herbert Mower.
Keene, 1st,	200	445	244	.....	334.81	154.75	265.88	.....	133 45	888.89	S. A. Gerould, jr.
" 2d,	225	350	174	32.00	40.57	50.00	23.21	.....	25.95	171.73	Rev. J. A. Leach.
Marlborough,	100	200	95	.....	6.00	.....	10.00	.....	5.00	21.00	Rev. J. L. Merrill.
Nelson,	38	125	63	3.60	8.00	.....	8.00	.....	32.00	51.60	Orrel P. Atwood.
Rindge,	171	267	127	6.39	74.32	29.87	60.05	6.39	47.76	224.78	Dea. O. D. Converse.
Roxbury,	15	60	50	.....	6.52	.....	.....	.....	15.00	21.52	Elbridge Kingsbury.
Stoddard,	50	55	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Jonas P. Reed.
Sullivan,	40	80	48	.....	10.00	5.00	5.00	.....	15.00	35.00	Atwell C. Ellis.
" East,	38	65	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Charles Mason.
Surry,	10	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Mrs. N. H. Britton.
Swanzey,	35	110	50	.....	.....	13.00	17.05	.....	.....	30.05	Josiah Parsons.
Troy,	50	120	87	.....	.....	.....	50.00	.....	7.63	57.63	Abel Baker.
Walpole,	52	152	80	.....	.....	25.48	140.00	.....	.....	165.48	E. K. Seabury.
Westmoreland,	85	163	87	12.85	20.00	.....	.....	.....	36.76	69.61	Dea. John Cowdery.
Winchester,	100	157	119	.....	49.50	23.45	55.06	3.83	14.24	146.08	Rev. E. Harmon.
	1741	3463	1928	$62.84	$703.40	$345.20	$799.27	$18.22	$441.74	$2370.67	

II. COOS [AND ESSEX, VT.] CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED LANCASTER, FEB. 19, 1833.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1877.			Ch. Mem's, Jan. 1, '77.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Bethlehem,	1802				4	4	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Chath'm(& StowMe)	1861	[James H. Leavitt,	Licentiate.	*A.p.* 1875]	17	26	43	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Colebrook,	1802	Leonard W. Harris,	Nov. 2, 1842	*A.p.* Oct. 12, 1873	25	57	82	15	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
Dalton,	1816	[Albert E. Hall,	Licentiate.	*A.p.* Apr. 1, 1874]	13	35	48	9	3	1	4	1	2	0	3	3	0
Franconia,	1814	George A. Beckwith,	May 26, 1862	*A.p.* Oct. 1, 1876	5	9	14	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gorham,	1862	Arthur J. Benedict,	May 25, 1875	*A.p.* June 1, 1876	4	24	28	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lancaster,	1794	Chas. E. Harrington,	Oct. 27, 1874	Oct. 27, 1874	55	120	175	27	5	7	12	0	0	0	0	4	4
Littleton,	1803	Chas. E. Milliken,	Sept. 28, 1860	Sept. 28, 1860	50	132	182	26	2	1	3	0	2	0	2	2	1
Shelburne,	1818				0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stewartstown, West,	1846	William S. Bugbey,	Oct. 22, 1875	*A.p.* July 1, 1875	10	29	39	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
					183	440	623	99	11	11	22	8	4	0	12	9	5

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 2; with Acting Pastors, 6; Vacant, 2; Total, 10.

COOS CONFERENCE—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. Sch.		Amount contributed from June 1 to December 31, 1876.							Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	Col. & Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total Foregoing.	
Bethlehem,	25	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Frank W. Brown.*
Chatham,	21	40	30	.....	$10.00	.....	.....	$4.00	$11.00	$25.00	J. H. Leavitt.
Colebrook,	80	50	40	.....	15.00	$21.44	$15.00	.....	6.48	57.92	Hosea Aldrich.
Dalton,	41	78	50	.....	12.00	.....	2.00	8.00	6.00	28.00	Bert A. Taylor.
Franconia,	50	75	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Dea. I. B. Stevens.
Gorham,	77	104	55	.....	.....	.....	15.50	.....	.....	15.50	Rev. A. J. Benedict.
Lancaster,	115	175	105	.....	14.00	30.00	85.00	20.00	10.00	159.00	Charles B. Allen.
Littleton,	100	175	110	$8.00	40.00	30.00	144.00	.....	32.00	254.00	Rev. C. E. Milliken.
Shelburne,	4	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Mrs. Maria F. Gates.
Stewartstown, West,	30	75	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	William Ellis.
	543	772	485	$8.00	$91.00	$81.44	$261.50	$32.00	$65.48	$539.42	

*P. O. Address, Bethlehem Hollow.

III. GRAFTON CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED ORFORD, JUNE 2, 1828.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1877.			Ch. Mem's, Jan. 1, '77.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Bath,	1844	George W. Kinne,	Apr. 29,1874	*A.p.* Sept. 17,1876	25	74	99	23	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Bristol,	1826	[John M. Hart,	Licentiate.	*A.p.* May 24, '77]	45	98	143	32	1	2	3	1	0	0	1	0	0
Campton,	1774	Quincy Blakely,	Feb. 16,1859	June 29,1864	32	67	99	15	5	0	5	0	1	0	1	1	0
Canaan,	1800				1	4	5	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Danbury,	1809	Samuel F. Lougee,	Oct. 2, 1873	*A.p.* Apr. 1, 1877	28	39	67	8	5	1	6	0	2	0	2	5	0
Dorchester,	1828				3	7	10	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enfield,	1826	[Francis Parker,	Licentiate.	*A.p.* July 1,1875]	8	27	35	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groton,	1803				6	10	16	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hanover, Dart. Coll.	1805	Samuel P. Leeds, D.D.,	June 18,1851	July 10, 1861	80	136	216	65	6	0	6	1	7	0	8	3	3
" Center,	1810	George Smith.	Aug. 9, 1853	*A.p.* Apr. 1, 1877	39	67	106	27	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0
Haverhill,	1764	John Q. Bittinger,	Oct. 25, 1860	July 2, 1874	50	122	172	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hebron,	1779				4	14	18	2	1	6	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lebanon,	1768	John M. Dutton,	June 20,1876	June 20,1876	43	97	140	10	0	5	5	1	2	0	3	0	0
" West,	1849	Alonzo B. Rich, D.D.,	Feb. 18,1846	May 17, 1871	56	107	163	19	4	3	7	2	6	0	8	1	9
Lyme,	1771	Edward P. Butler,	Oct. 20, 1874	Oct. 20, 1874	87	161	248	64	9	0	9	1	2	0	3	8	0
Monroe,	1874				13	24	37	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Orfordville,	1786	Theodore C. Pratt,	June 21,1859	*A.p.* Apr. 1, 1877	37	53	90	12	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	0
Orford, West,	1822	Francis B. Knowlton,	Aug. 29,1865	*A.p.* July 1, 1871	32	69	101	12	8	3	11	1	0	0	1	5	2
Piermont,	1771	Augustus L. Marden,	May 30, 1861	May 30, 1861	41	72	113	34	3	1	4	4	0	0	4	2	0
Plymouth,	1764	George H. Scott,	Sept. 3, 1873	Sept. 3, 1873	31	135	166	28	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1
Wentworth,	1830	George J. Pierce,	Aug. 28,1872	*A.p.* May 1, 1875	10	40	50	(?)	10	1	11	2	4	1	7	8	4
					671	1423	2094	419	56	22	78	17	28	1	46	36	20

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 8; with Acting Pastors, 3; Vacant, 5; Total, 21. Dropped from last year, 2—Bridgewater and Thornton.

GRAFTON CONFERENCE—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. Sch.		Amount contributed from June 1 to December 31, 1876.							Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	Col. & Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total Foregoing.	
Bath,	70	75	60	.....	.....	.....	$3.00	$15.00	.....	$18.00	Horace B. Deming.
Bristol,	100	140	75	$8.29	$20.57	$9.44	35.90	.....	$36.24	110.44	N. B. Butrick.
Campton,	55	120	70	7.00	73.22	.....	88.50	.....	33.00	201.72	Erastus Dole.
Canaan,	4	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Mrs. Sarah Harris.
Danbury,	32	80	60	.....	17.00	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	27.00	Hiram Jackson.
Dorchester,	10	40	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Nathaniel Burnham.
Enfield,	18	35	30	.....	2.50	.....	10.00	5.00	.....	17.50	M. F. Gould.
Groton,	35	45	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Parker Blood.
Hanover,	100	225	160	.....	252.97	23.00	260.01	.....	.....	575.98	Rev. S. P. Leeds, D.D.
" Center,	40	84	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Isaac Fellows.
Haverhill,	95	150	75	.....	69.19	17.21	.....	.....	.....	86.40	Dea. A. K. Merrill.
Hebron,	30	60	40	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	George C. Lang.
Lebanon,	130	140	115	.....	28.00	.....	107.00	.....	.....	135.00	Dea. G. S. Nott.
" West,	135	220	114	.....	20.25	28.03	94.38	.....	45.70	188.36	Rev. A. B. Rich, D.D.
Lyme,	175	250	145	.....	135.28	100.00	.....	.....	.....	235.28	D. C. Churchill.
Munroe,	37	60	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Mrs. Emeline H. Chase.
Orfordville,	56	90	60	.....	7.45	.....	8.81	.....	.....	16.26	Benj. F. Niles.
Orford, West,	71	86	54	.....	15.00	5.00	28.00	.....	26.82	74.82	Dea. Isaac Willard.
Piermont,	58	85	50	.....	.....	.....	32.00	.....	10.00	42.00	Rev. A. L. Marden.
Plymouth,	120	250	120	7.92	146.59	.....	103.61	.....	25.84	283.96	William W. Russell.
Wentworth,	40	75	50	.....	25.00	5.00	25.00	.....	25.00	80.00	Rev. Geo. J. Pierce.
	1411	2310	1416	$23.21	$813.02	$232.68	$866.21	$20.00	$202.60	$2097.72	

IV. HILLSBOROUGH CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED AMHERST, JUNE 12, 1827.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept, 1, 1877.			Ch. Mem's, Jan. 1,'77.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Amherst,	1741	Josiah G. Davis, D.D.,	May 22,1844	May 22,1844	44	138	182	25	2	0	2	6	0	0	6	1	0
Antrim, *Pres.*,	1788	Warren R. Cochrane,	Mar. 18,1869	Mar. 18,1869	82	167	249	21	30	10	40	1	1	1	3	23	3
Bedford, *Pres.*,	1749	Ira C. Tyson,	Oct. 7, 1862	May 6, 1869	64	139	203	32	1	2	3	2	3	0	5	1	0
Bennington,	1839	James Holmes,	June 22,1842	*A.p.*Nov. 6, 1869	17	36	53	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Brookline,	1795	Frank D. Sargent,	Oct. 20, 1869	Oct. 20, 1869	29	64	93	10	12	1	13	2	3	0	5	9	5
Deering,	1789	A. Burton Palmer,	Feb. 1, 1876	*A.p.*May 1, 1877	5	11	16	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Francestown,	1773				70	165	235	20	0	0	0	4	6	0	10	0	0
Goffstown,	1771	Samuel L. Gerould,	Oct. 2, 1861	Feb. 4, 1869	58	153	211	16	0	3	3	3	2	0	5	0	2
Greenfield,	1792	Samuel H. Partridge,	May 10, 1853	*A.p.*May 16,1869	46	76	122	9	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0
Greenville,	1847	George F. Merriam,	Mar. 9, 1865	Mar. 9, 1865	24	66	90	20	5	4	9	0	2	0	2	3	1
Hancock,	1788	Nathaniel S. Moore,	Nov. 11,1868	*A.p.*June 1, 1877	37	73	110	12	6	3	9	4	0	0	4	2	0
Hillsboro' Center,	1769	John Adams,	July 21, 1841	*A.p.*May 1, 1861	8	23	31	4	0	0	0	1	5	0	6	0	1
" Bridge,	1839	Harry Brickett,	Jan. 28, 1858	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1876	19	46	65	22	3	4	7	3	1	0	4	1	0
Hollis,	1743	Hiram L. Kelsey,	Apr. 16,1865	June 1, 1875	89	159	248	29	20	0	20	4	3	0	7	19	1
Hudson,	1737	John W. Haley,	Sept. 23,1864	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1876	8	27	35	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Litchfield, *Pres.*,	1741	Brown H. Emerson,	Sept. 30,1873	*A.p.*Nov. 21,1875	2	5	7	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lyndeborough,	1757	Lincoln Harlow,	Aug. 26,1863	*A.p.*July 16,1876	25	38	63	6	4	5	9	2	0	0	2	2	0
Manchester, First,	1839	Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D.	Jan. 8, 1840	*P. Emeritus.*1840	135	343	478	37	2	4	6	4	8	0	12	1	0
		Edward G. Selden,	Dec. 16,1873	Dec. 16,1873													
" Franklin St.,	1844	Wm. V. W. Davis,			116	322	438	90	2	2	4	0	5	0	5	2	8
Mason,	1772	Daniel Goodwin,	Feb. 27,1839	Apr. 18,1860	27	58	85	15	3	1	4	3	0	0	3	3	2
Merrimack, First,	1771	Charles L. Hubbard,	Sept. 2, 1868	Sept. 2, 1868	69	122	191	39	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0
" South,	1829				1	10	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Milford,	1788	George Pierce, jr.,	Oct. 14, 1863	Oct. 29, 1872	117	240	357	(?)	0	2	2	1	1	1	3	0	0
Mont Vernon,	1780	William H. Woodwell,	June 12,1873	*A.p.*Jan 1, 1876	53	83	136	6	3	2	5	2	0	0	2	1	2
Nashua, First,	1685	Frederick Alvord,	July 21, 1858	July 6, 1869	184	304	488	63	0	0	0	4	3	0	7	0	1
" Olive St.,	1835	Jeremiah K. Aldrich,	Feb. 17,1863	*A.p.*Nov. 12,1876	86	211	297	79	0	0	0	5	2	0	7	0	0
" Pearl St.,	1846	Charles Wetherby,	Sept. 28,1859	Dec. 7, 1871	75	200	275	32	1	3	4	0	2	0	2	0	0
New Boston, *Pres.*,	1768	John Bragdon,	Apr. 9, 1873	*A.p.*Nov. 1, 1875	47	101	148	24	0	1	1	5	0	0	5	0	1
New Ipswich,	1760	Bela N. Seymour,	June 20,1855	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1874	51	114	165	32	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	0
Pelham,	1751	Augustus Berry,	Oct. 30, 1861	Oct. 30, 1861	22	48	70	6	0	1	1	2	1	0	3	0	0
Peterborough,	1822	George Dustan,	Oct. 19, 1859	Oct. 19, 1859	70	161	231	10	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
Temple,	1771	William L. S. Clark,	Sept. 1844	*A.p.*May 14,1876	42	61	103	26	15	7	22	5	4	0	9	9	2
Weare, South,	1876	A. Burton Palmer,	Feb. 1, 1876	*A.p.*Nov. 1, 1874	11	18	29	0	7	1	8	0	0	0	0	6	0
Wilton,	1823	Justus N. Brown,	Oct. 23, 1870	*A.p.*Dec. 1, 1876	50	104	154	15	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
					1783	3886	5669	720	118	60	178	69	58	2	129	85	29

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 15; with Acting Pastors, 16; Vacant, 3; Total, 34.

HILLSBOROUGH CONFERENCE—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. Sch.		Amount contributed from June 1 to December 31, 1876.							Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	Col. & Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total Foregoing.	
Amherst,	140	155	103	$19.70	$58.10	$38.00	$383.07	.....	.....	$498.87	Rev. J. G. Davis, D.D.
Antrim, *Pres.*,	153	203	140	.....	11.00	43.00	17.00	.....	$113.23	184.23	Imla Wright.
Bedford, *Pres.*,	140	300	180	.....	18.23	18.50	13.90	.....	40.00	90.66	John Hodgman.
Bennington,	55	100	66	10.00	37.00	12.25	10.30	.....	81.50	151.05	Rev. James Holmes.
Brookline,	94	175	93	9 60	3.10	11.00	.....	.....	8.57	32.27	F. A. Peterson.
Deering,	18	60	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Dea. Wheeler Barnes.
Francestown,	85	150	100	.....	20.00	15.00	22.00	.....	.....	57.00	Levi B. Bradford.
Goffstown,	213	264	141	.....	77.32	42.52	26.15	$13.50	48.70	208.19	Dea. Alvin Hadley.
Greenfield,	105	120	75	.....	.....	.....	37.00	.....	.....	37.00	Charles D. Fitch.
Greenville,	70	112	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	51.00	51.00	Rev. G. F. Merriam.
Hancock,	70	165	100	.....	4.00	30.00	25.00	.....	35.00	94.00	J. W. Goodhue.
Hillsboro' Center,	30	60	40	.....	.....	10.00	10.00	.....	.....	20.00	Rev. John Adams.
" Bridge,	80	150	80	.....	19.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	24.00	Jeremiah Dutton.
Hollis,	150	246	120	.....	46.70	5.00	124.69	.....	37.83	214.22	Nathan Willoughby.
Hudson,	50	50	40	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	1.00	Rev. S. M. Blanchard.
Litchfield, *Pres.*,	32	75	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.03	3.03	Moses Chase.
Lyndeborough,	60	80	60	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	Dea. N. P. McIntire.
Manchester, First,	283	550	306	.....	85.14	.....	333.79	45.49	177.07	641.49	John D. Patterson.
" Franklin St.,	320	450	300	.....	.....	142.12	.....	.....	75.00	217.12	Dea. A. H. Daniels.
Mason,	35	75	50	.....	20 50	2.50	25.00	.....	5.00	53.00	Dea. J. B. Wilson.
Merrimack, First,	110	275	150	.....	.....	22.00	16.00	.....	.....	38.00	Rev. C. L. Hubbard.
" South,	12	25	15	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	Stephen M. Sargent.
Milford,	150	258	183	.....	.....	.....	66.40	.....	121.39	187.79	D. Milton Heald.
Mont Vernon,	88	182	35	5.00	66.72	11.50	60.00	.....	31.00	174.22	Alonzo Travis.
Nashua, First,	190	320	200	10.00	159.75	39.90	248.65	.....	109.54	567.84	William P. Clark.
" Olive St.,	175	200	125	.....	.....	190.00	.....	.....	.....	190.00	Dea. F. F. Kimball.
" Pearl St.,	180	240	165	.....	39.68	.....	22..1	.....	.....	61.89	Thad. B. Mason.
New Boston, *Pres.*,	116	156	72	.....	15.40	.....	2.00	.....	15.00	33.40	Dea. Marshall Adams.
New Ipswich,	90	120	85	5.34	5.95	30.00	21.36	.....	30.81	93.46	Wm. D. Locke.
Pelham,	100	177	100	.....	100.00	42.56	30.00	.....	59.84	232.40	Abel Sage.
Peterborough,	100	294	190	.....	.....	26.31	.....	.....	18.50	44.81	Dea. A. A. Farnsworth.
Temple,	58	113	90	.....	.....	60.00	20.00	.....	10.00	90.00	W. P. Bacon.
Weare, South,	38	108	65	.....	13. 8	.....	.....	.....	8.60	22.40	Dea. J. P. Dearborn.
Wilton,	100	233	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Levi Putman.
	3690	6250	3864	$59.64	$807.42	$792.16	$1525.52	$58.99	$1080.61	$4324.34	

V. MERRIMACK CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED SALISBURY, JUNE 27, 1827.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1877.			Ch. Mem's, Jan. 1,'77.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Andover,	1782	Howard Moody,	Nov. 22,1843	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1869	9	16	25	4	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	7	1
Boscawen,	1740				46	81	127	43	3	1	4	2	0	0	2	1	0
Bradford,	1803				8	14	22	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Canterbury,	1760	James Doldt,	Sept.21,1843	*A.p.*Feb. 1, 1870	31	50	81	1	0	1	1	4	0	0	4	0	1
Chichester,	1791	George A. Foss,	Feb. 24,1874	Feb. 24,1874	34	51	85	25	12	2	14	2	0	0	2	6	0
Concord, First,	1730	Franklin D. Ayer,	May 1, 1861	Sept. 12,1867	96	206	302	17	2	2	4	5	4	0	9	1	5
" West,	1833	John W. Colwell,	Sept.22,1875	*Feb. 28,1877	60	113	173	43	9	0	9	2	0	0	2	6	0
" South,	1837	S. Leroy Blake,	Dec. 7, 1864	Jan. 27, 1869	136	284	420	30	4	3	7	6	13	1	20	2	8
" East,	1842	Abraham Burnham,	Sept.30,1857	*A.p.*May 1, 1872	20	48	68	16	3	3	6	1	0	0	1	1	0
Dunbarton,	1789	William E. Spear, / James Wells,	Oct. 16, 1873 / Apr. 1, 1849	Oct, 16, 1873 / *A.p.*Apr.22,1877	31	77	108	3	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0
Epsom,	1761	Elliot C. Cogswell,	Nov. 3, 1842	*A.p.*Oct. 20, 1876	12	30	42	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Fisherville,	1850				40	99	139	20	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	2
Franklin,	1822	Austin H. Burr,	Nov. 3, 1875	Nov. 3. 1875	33	73	106	32	9	2	11	0	0	0	0	6	0
Henniker,	1760	John H. Hoffman,	Aug. 21,1877	*A.p.*June10,1877	44	111	155	26	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Hill,	1815				5	9	14	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Hooksett,	1828				9	15	24	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hopkinton,	1757	Clarendon A. Stone,	Apr. 2, 1873	Dec. 29,1874	69	142	211	35	13	1	14	2	0	0	2	12	0
Loudon,	1789				10	42	52	12	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Pembroke,	1737	Cyrus M. Perry,	Mar. 28,1865	*A.p.*July 15,1877	31	83	114	28	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Pittsfield,	1789	Stephen S. N.Greeley,	Jan. 31, 1839	*A.p.*Nov. 1873	49	95	144	34	4	1	5	2	1	0	3	3	0
Salisbury,	1773				18	39	57	9	18	3	21	0	5	0	5	12	1
Tilton & Northfield,	1822	Frederic T. Perkins,	Jan. 11, 1843	*A.p.*Sept. 1,1875	48	88	136	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warner,	1772				26	70	96	8	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	0
Webster,	1804	Edward Buxton,	Apr. 10,1836	Dec. 13,1837	37	62	99	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wilmot,	1829	John H. Larry,	Sept.15,1873	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1877	19	32	51	15	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	0
					921	1930	2851	461	89	21	110	41	25	1	67	58	18

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 7; with Acting Pastors, 10; Vacant, 9; Total, 25. *Began July 11, 1875.

MERRIMACK CONFERENCE—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. Sch. Total.	Sab. Sch. Average.	Amount contributed from June 1 to December 31, 1876. Col. & Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total Foregoing.	Clerks.
Andover,	20	50	40	.....	$26.38	.....	$23.00	.....	$19.78	$69.16	Rev. H. Moody.
Boscawen,	68	100	70	.....	38.85	$6.00	$23.00	.....	.....	67.85	C. E. Chadwick.
Bradford,	25	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Elisha H. Eaton.
Canterbury,	90	110	70	.....	.....	.....	15.72	.....	20.00	35.72	Samuel Hill.
Chichester,	35	90	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Jeremy L. Sanborn.
Concord, First,	230	320	170	$100.67	204.69	39.45	116.00	.....	207.00	667.81	Rev. F. D. Ayer.
" West,	75	200	100	17.44	15.38	.....	27.32	.....	22.50	82.64	Rev. J. W. Colwell.
" South,	400	454	240	84.91	333.24	101.88	260.52	$109.91	965.10	1855.56	S. R. Dole.
" East,	65	130	68	.....	15.69	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.69	George Curtis.
Dunbarton,	45	158	113	.....	.....	35.53	35.53	.....	37.36	108.42	Dea. Sam'l Burnham.
Epsom,	30	40	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Benjamin Towle.
Fisherville,	86	200	112	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	10.00	Dea. David Putnam.
Franklin,	75	125	60	.....	44.50	40.00	60.00	.....	27.49	171.99	Luther M. Knight, M.D.
Henniker,	90	180	100	.....	135.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	145.00	L. W. Peabody, M.D.
Hill,		0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Dea. Joseph Prescott.
Hooksett,	20	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Frank C. Towle.
Hopkinton,	128	150	100	.....	58.50	.....	69.00	.....	.....	127.50	Stephen K. Hoit.
Loudon,	40	50	40	.....	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	25.00	Hiram Ordway.
Pembroke,	60	123	76	.....	43.34	37.21	.....	.....	.....	80.55	Dea. Brainard Gile.
Pittsfield,	75	160	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	John Clark.
Salisbury,	60	70	35	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00	Dea. T. D. Little.
Tilton & Northfield,	96	138	70	.....	50.00	40.00	.....	.....	10.00	100.00	A. S. Ballantyne.
Warner,	105	140	105	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	John Davis, 3rd.
Webster,	40	95	70	.....	26.80	13.00	.....	.....	.....	39.80	Rev. E. Buxton.
Wilmot,	32	70	47	.....	16.08	.....	7.76	.....	.....	23.84	Rev. C. B. Tracy.
	1990	3153	1871	$203.02	$1023.45	$348.07	$637.85	$109.91	$1319.23	$3641.53	

VI. ROCKINGHAM CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED CHESTER, JUNE 20, 1837

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1877.			Ch. Mem's, Jan. 1,'77.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Atkinson,	1772	Charles T. Melvin,	Oct. 18, 1859	*A.p.* Dec. 5, 1875	27	57	84	27	2	2	4	1	1	0	2	2	0
Auburn,	1734	Charles E. Houghton,	May 24, 1876	*A.p.* May 20, 1875	14	37	51	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brentwood,	1748	William C. Jackson,	Oct. 13, 1835	*A.p.* July 10, 1870	10	53	63	11	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Candia,	1771				102	145	247	37	3	0	3	1	1	0	2	1	0
Chester,	1731	Charles Tenney,	Feb. 7, 1844	Aug. 2, 1871	63	144	207	22	8	2	10	0	2	0	2	6	1
Deerfield,	1766 ?	Lyman White,	Oct. 23, 1849	*A.p.* Oct. 1, 1875	38	79	117	30	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0
Derry, First,	1719	Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D.	Jan. 8, 1840	*A.p.* Apr. 15, 1877	46	110	156	38	9	3	12	3	1	0	4	4	1
" First Cong.,	1837	Robert W. Haskins,	Nov. 19, 1872	Nov. 19, 1872	30	93	123	20	1	3	4	3	1	0	4	0	0
Epping,	1747	Josiah H. Stearns,	Nov. 6, 1844	*A.p.* June 16, 1857	30	52	82	17	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	3	0
Exeter, First,	1639	Swift Byington,	Nov. 17, 1852	June 2, 1871	46	119	165	29	0	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	0
" Second,	1744	George E. Street,	Apr. 6, 1864	Mar. 30, 1871	46	121	167	47	1	2	3	2	3	0	5	0	2
Greenland,	1706	Edward Robie, D.D.,	Feb. 25, 1852	Feb. 25, 1852	10	52	62	11	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Hampstead,	1752	Albert Watson,	June 27, 1871	Mar. 23, 1876	33	78	111	19	33	4	37	0	0	0	0	30	0
Hampton,	1638	John S. Batchelder,	Oct. 20, 1858	*A.p.* Apr. 25, 1875	67	129	196	25	13	0	13	1	0	0	1	7	7
Kensington,	1737	Frederic D. Chandler,	Apr. 11, 1869	Mar. 9. 1876	16	35	51		10	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kingston,	1725	Jacob Chapman,	June 23, 1845	June 5, 1872	11	41	52	8	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	0
Londonderry, *Pres.*,	1735	Luther B. Pert,	Oct. 25, 1870	Feb. 23, 1875	45	121	166	12	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	1
Newcastle,	1700	Benjamin F. Grant,	July 19, 1876	*A.p.* Nov. 7, 1875	12	48	60	15	7	1	8	0	0	0	0	7	0
Newington,	1715	[Willis A. Hadley,	Licentiate.	*A.p.* May 21,'76]	6	24	30	6	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	3	0
Newmarket,	1828	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	*A.p.* June 1, 1865	33	76	109	37	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
North Hampton,	1739	Thomas V. Haines,	Feb. 1, 1861	*Apr. 27, 1870	83	134	217	24	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	2	1
Northwood,	1798				30	55	85	30	0	1	1	2	1	0	3	0	0
Nottingham,	1742				2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plaistow,	1730	David Bremner,	May 2, 1855	*A.p.* Apr. 25, 1875	43	78	121	19	3	2	5	1	1	0	2	2	4
Portsmouth,	1671	James W. Hubbell,	Sept. 21, 1864	*A.p.* Mar. 11, 1877	104	229	333	60	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	4
Raymond,	1791	Charles B. Sumner,	Jan. 2, 1868	*A.p.* July 1, 1867	44	65	109	17	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
Rye,	1726				26	72	98	7	9	0	9	2	7	0	9	6	0
Salem,	1740	Samuel Bowker,	Dec. 10, 1845	*A.p.* July 1, 1873	13	43	56	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Seabrook & H. Falls,	1799	Frank Haley.	Oct. 7, 1863	*A.p.* Dec. 1, 1875	17	30	47	5	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
" South,	1867	William A. Rand,	July 9, 1875	*July 9, 1875	4	14	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Newmarket,	1730				5	15	20	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stratham,	1718	Albert B. Peabody,	May 24, 1860	Nov. 25, 1869	17	38	55	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Windham, *Pres.*,	1742	Charles Packard,	May 6, 1846	Apr. 29, 1873	49	108	157	48	2	0	2	3	2	0	5	1	0
					1122	2497	3619	643	126	22	148	37	27	0	64	78	22

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 13; with Acting Pastors, 16; Vacant, 4; Total, 33. *Began 1867.

ROCKINGHAM CONFERENCE—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. Sch.		Amount contributed from June 1 to December 31, 1876.							Clerks.
		Total.	Averages.	Col. & Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total Foregoing.	
Atkinson,	56	100	60	.....	$11.07	$26.61	$108.10	.....	$7.50	$153.28	Rev. Jesse Page.
Auburn,	42	60	50	.....	.....	11.00	.....	.....	.....	11.00	C. C. Grant.
Brentwood,	26	45	35	.....	5.35	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.35	Dea. T. S. Robinson.
Candia,	103	220	150	$15.19	39.65	.....	65.91	.....	.....	120.75	Dea. Edmund Hill.
Chester,	106	220	130	.....	61.78	9.50	145.04	.....	50.10	266.42	Rev. C. Tenney.
Deerfield,	83	95	68	.....	249.30	5.00	42.60	.....	18.20	306.10	Jona. H. Batchelder.
Derry, First,	90	62	35	.....	27.61	26.00	21.50	.....	29.89	105.00	Joseph Montgomery.
" First Cong.,	100	130	70	.....	.....	.....	50.00	.....	12.00	62.00	Dea. Wm. Anderson.
Epping,	65	145	79	.....	10.00	.....	42.64	.....	11.61	64.25	Rev. J. H. Stearns.
Exeter, First,	122	150	110	.....	.....	32.86	70.00	.....	.....	102.86	G. C. Lyford.
" Second,	70	90	75	.....	259.07	461.06	126.16	.....	59.00	905.29	Rev. G. E. Street.
Greenland,	42	65	46	.....	78.00	28.60	182.20	.....	28.50	317.30	Rev. E. Robie, D.D.
Hampstead,	80	187	130	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00	20.00	W. H. Davis.
Hampton,	110	115	90	.....	14.20	.....	49.95	.....	24.10	88.25	Dea. Joseph Dow.
Kensington,	40	90	80	.....	12.00	.....	9.88	$7.00	.....	28.88	James Hobbs.
Kingston,	45	100	75	.....	40.00	.....	47.20	1.00	.....	88.20	Dea. Simon B. Judkins.
Londonderry, *Pres.*,	75	175	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	105.00	105.00	John Dickey.*
Newcastle,	65	86	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00	20.00	Leander Garland.
Newington,	61	75	55	.....	21.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00	31.00	Clarance DeRochemont.
Newmarket,	75	200	125	.....	48.00	.....	22.25	.....	30.00	100.25	Dea. Benj. Mathes.
North Hampton,	117	250	100	.....	51.55	15.00	16.90	.....	35.85	119.30	Rev. T. V. Haines.
Northwood,	40	100	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Samuel S. Moore.
Nottingham,		0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Mrs. J. P. Cilley.
Plaistow,	40	115	65	.....	137.00	100.00	330.00	.....	.....	567.00	Joseph Kimball.
Portsmouth,	200	270	210	.....	170.00	.....	125.00	.....	300.00	595.00	E. P. Kimball.
Raymond,	72	75	50	.....	7.50	.....	16.00	.....	10.00	33.50	Sherburne P. Blake.
Rye,	51	100	70	.....	15.00	10.00	10.17	.....	18.12	53.29	J. T. Walker.
Salem,	53	80	40	.....	12.00	.....	30.00	4.00	.....	46.00	Rev. Samuel Bowker.
Seabrook & H. Falls,	50	70	50	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....	3.00	Warren H. Batchelder.†
" South,	120	75	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Mrs. Wm. A. Rand.
South Newmarket,	25	45	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Henry E. Perry.
Stratham,	50	96	48	.....	5.00	45.00	107.00	3.00	5.00	165.00	Rev. A. B. Peabody.
Windham, *Pres.*,	92	185	115	.....	21.75	.....	10.00	.....	35.87	67.62	Rei Hills.
	2367	3881	2533	$15.19	$1287.83	$770.63	$1631.50	$15.00	$830.74	$4550.89	

*P. O. Address, Wilson's Crossing. †P. O. Address, Hampton Falls.

VII. STRAFFORD CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED MEREDITH BRIDGE (NOW LACONIA), JUNE 24, 1828.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1877.			Ch. Mem's, Jan. 1,'77.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Alton,	1827	Leander S. Coan,	June 18,1863	*A.p.*Dec. 17,1875	13	29	42	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barnstead, North,	1804	[Unite with Baptists.]			13	17	30	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Parade,	1867	William O. Carr,	Feb. 13,1861	*A.p.*July 9, 1867	15	21	36	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barrington,	1755				16	35	51	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Center Harbor,	1838	Edward P. Stone,	Oct. 14, 1861	*A.p.*June 1, 1877	21	35	56	16	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Conway, North,	1778	S. Girard Norcross,	Oct. 11, 1859	*A.p.*June 15,1873	23	51	74	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Dover, First,	1638	George B. Spalding,	Oct. 5, 1861	Sept. 1, 1869	78	203	281	57	6	0	0	1	2	0	3	2	9
" Belknap,	1856				17	49	66	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Durham,	1718	Henry L. Talbot,	Jan. 1, 1873	Jan. 1, 1873	15	53	68	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Effingham,	1798				3	6	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Farmington,	1819				23	55	78	15	2	1	3	1	0	0	1	1	2
Gilmanton, East,	1774				5	6	11	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Center,	1826	Joseph Blake, D.D.,	Mar. 3, 1841	June 13,1860	30	72	102	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Iron Works,	1830	Chas. L. Tomblen.	Aug. 30,1877	*A.p.*June 1, 1877	21	59	80	44	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laconia,	1824	Jeremiah E.Fullerton,	Sept. 8, 1870	*P.e.* 1877	33	99	132	32	3	2	5	5	1	1	7	3	0
Lee,	1867	John W. Lees.	Nov. 16,1870	Nov. 16.1870	6	37	43	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meredith Village,	1815	George I. Bard,	Oct. 17, 1860	Jan. 2, 1837	14	50	64	10	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
Milton,	1815	[John N. Lowell,	Licentiate.	*A.p.*July 29, '77]	29	55	84	4	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0
" Mills,	1871	Darius B. Scott,	July 14,1827	*A.p.*Aug. 1, 1877	14	25	39	8	2	2	4	0	1	0	1	0	1
Moultonborough,	1777				3	7	10	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ossipee Center,	1806	Edward P. Eastman,	Apr. 20.1871	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1876	16	45	61	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rochester,	1737	Abram J. Quick,	Mar. 17,1864	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1875	45	115	160	20	2	4	6	1	4	0	5	1	3
Rollinsford, S. Falls,	1846				15	35	50	25	7	0	7	0	3	0	3	3	0
Sanbornton,	1771	Moses T. Runnels,	Aug. 13,1856	June 11,1868	44	86	130	15	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Sandwich,	1814				9	34	43	6	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
" North,	1832				7	11	18	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somersw'th, G. Falls	1827	Stephen W. Webb,	Apr. 19.1870	Oct. 15, 1873	58	169	227	51	6	1	7	1	3	0	4	6	0
Tamworth,	1792	Franklin Davis,	Oct. 6, 1847	*A.p.*Nov. 1, 1876	23	55	78	14	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Wakefield,	1785	George O. Jenness,	Feb. 8, 1861	*A.p.*June 1, 1875	5	33	38	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wolfeborough,	1834				30	67	97	21	5	5	10	2	2	0	4	4	2
" North,	1839				6	15	21	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
					650	1629	2279	480	30	17	47	21	17	2	40	22	20

CHURCHES. With Pastors, 7; with Acting Pastors, 11; Vacant, 13; Total 31. Dropped from last year, 1—Tuftonborough.

STRAFFORD CONFERENCE—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. Sch. Total.	Sab. Sch. Average.	Amount contributed from June 1 to December 31, 1876. Col. & Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total Foregoing.	Clerks.
Alton,	50	125	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$0.00	——— ———
Barnstead, North,	6	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	None.
" Parade,	60	110	53	.....	$5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	Nathaniel S. Nutter.
Barrington,	52	50	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	S. C. Ham.*
Center Harbor,	35	80	50	.....	6.50	$4.62	$15.00	.....	.....	26.12	Rev. Almon Benson.
Conway, North,	145	89	51	.....	17.00	10.00	23.00	.....	$40.00	90.00	Wm. C. Eastman.
Dover, First,	200	241	189	.....	509.98	184.00	257.28	.....	162.00	1113.26	Edmund J. Lane.
" Belknap,	70	60	45	.....	1.82	.....	3.05	.....	.....	4.87	William H. Hanson.
Durham,	60	100	80	.....	.....	.....	42.00	.....	.....	42.00	Winthrop S. Messerve.
Effingham,	20	40	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Mrs. E. M. Dearborn.
Farmington,	40	160	90	.....	31.30	7.67	15.35	.....	.....	54.32	Daniel W. Edgerly, M.D.
Gilmanton, East,	12	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Wm. N. Swain.
" Center,	55	68	42	.....	9.02	.....	40.00	.....	87.78	136.80	Rev. Jos. Blake, D.D.
" Iron Works,	30	75	50	.....	.....	.....	50.00	.....	.....	50.00	Dea. Luther E. Page.
Laconia,	85	90	74	.....	51.50	.....	48.28	.....	27.28	127.06	Dea. F. W. Reeves.
Lee,	56	230	150	.....	13.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.00	Rev. J. W. Lees.
Meredith Village,	60	125	72	.....	44.20	.....	14.50	.....	15.00	73.70	Dea. Levi Leach.
Milton,	70	130	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Robert Mathes.
" Mills,	30	137	70	.....	10.20	.....	.....	.....	11.00	21.20	William McGibbon.
Moultonborough,	16	35	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	W. Henry Mason.
Ossipee Center,	40	50	45	.....	35.00	.....	9.00	.....	.....	44.00	Alvin Moulton.
Rochester,	140	143	106	$30.00	44.00	.....	23.55	.....	44.00	141.55	Franklin McDuffee.
Rollinsford, S. Falls,	41	75	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Jeremiah Knowlton.
Sanbornton,	89	144	96	.....	45.25	15.00	73.60	.....	58.48	192.33	Rev. M. T. Runnels.
Sandwich,	24	75	50	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	Wm. M. Weed.
" North,	20	0	0	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	Larkin French.
Somersw'th, G. Falls	160	275	175	.....	89.30	.....	.....	.....	18.50	107.80	Geo. W. Janvrin.
Tamworth,	93	115	55	.....	26.50	.....	16.00	.....	12.00	54.50	James J. Chesley.
Wakefield,	50	80	50	.....	20.00	.....	20.00	.....	17.25	57.25	S. W. Roberts, M.D.
Wolfeborough,	75	145	85	9.35	50.22	.....	.....	.....	7.02	66.59	Chas. F. Parker.
" North,	24	30	20	.....	5.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.20	Dea. Thos. L. Whitton.
	1908	3077	1968	$39.35	$1026.99	$221.29	$650.61	.....	$500.31	$2438.55	

NOTE. The date of ordination of Darius B. Scott, on left-hand table, should be 1872, not 1827.

*P. O. Address, East Barrington.

VIII. SULLIVAN CONFERENCE.

Organized Newport, November 11, 1826.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1877.			Ch. Mem's, Jan. 1, '77.				Admissions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Acworth,	1773	Benj. Labaree, D.D.,	Sept. 26, 1831	*A.p.* May 1, 1877	52	96	148	34	1	1	2	4	2	0	6	1	1
Charlestown,	1835	George H. Dunlap,	Aug. 23, 1877	Aug. 23, 1877	9	35	44	10	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Claremont,	1770	Levi Rodgers,	Oct. 19, 1871	Oct. 19, 1871	65	164	229	35	0	3	3	3	2	0	5	0	1
Cornish,	1781	James T. Jackson,	Dec. 17, 1874	Dec. 17, 1874	39	66	105	14	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
Croydon,	1778				5	9	14	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Goshen,	1802	[Unite with Baptists.]			9	23	32	0	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	0
Langdon,	1792	George F. Chapin,*	Apr. 15, 1866	*A.p.* Apr. 1, 1873	8	25	33	8	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lempster,	1781	John LeBosquet,	Sept. 21, 1836	*A.p.* May 1, 1871	23	29	52	11	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Newport,	1779	Ephraim E. P. Abbott,	May 6, 1868	Mar. 24, 1875	85	177	262	48	11	5	16	6	2	0	8	8	4
Plainfield,	1804	Lewis A. Austin,	June 26, 1862	*A.p.* May 1, 1876	7	20	27	6	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	2	0
" Meriden,	1780	Charles M. Palmer,	Dec. 8, 1868	Mar. 27, 1873	41	66	107	28	5	0	5	3	4	0	7	4	0
Washington,	1780	Henry H. Colburn,*	May 19, 1869	*A.p.* Apr., 16 1871	3	17	20	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
					346	727	1073	202	25	10	35	20	11	0	31	17	7

Churches. With Pastors, 5; with Acting Pastors, 5; Vacant, 2; Total, 12. Dropped from last year, 1—Lempster, East.

*Also, A. P. in Cheshire Conference.

SULLIVAN CONFERENCE—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. Sch.		Amount contributed from June 1 to December 31, 1876.							Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	Col. & Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total Foregoing.	
Acworth,	90	70	40	.....	$18.48	.....	$19.79	.....	$3.50	$41.77	Hiram N. Hayward.
Charlestown,	45	87	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Thomas J. Hunt.
Claremont,	144	240	115	$52.34	181.51	$50.36	27.80	.....	38.13	350.14	Rev. L. Rodgers.
Cornish,	45	72	50	.....	.....	13.00	30.10	.....	.....	43.10	Albert Wellman.
Croydon,	9	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	John Cooper.
Goshen,	50	100	60	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	4.65	9.65	Dea. Nath'l Capron.
Langdon,	25	40	25	.....	12.22	.....	.....	.....	1.40	13.62	Rev. Geo. F. Chapin.
Lempster,	30	44	30	.....	6.00	5.00	21.30	.....	.....	32.00	Rev. J. LeBosquet.
Newport,	115	275	110	.....	92.74	39.00	67.43	.....	53.00	252.17	Arthur B. Chase.
Plainfield,	18	25	20	.....	20.00	20.00	50.00	.....	.....	90.00	W. O. Kenyon.
" Meriden,	62	145	108	.....	26.50	.....	61.50	.....	15.25	103.25	Nathan Barrows.
Washington,	38	50	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	Dea. Levi Harthorn.
	671	1148	628	$52.34	$362.45	$127.36	$277.62	.....	$115.93	$935.70	

SUMMARY. I.

CONF'RENCES.	Churches, Sept. 1, 1877.							Ministers, Sept. 1, 1877.					Licentiates.	Ch. Members, Jan. 1, 1877.				Additions.			Removals.				Bapt'ms.	
	With Pastors.			Vacant.			TOTAL CHURCHES.	In Pastoral Work.			Without Charge.	TOTAL MINISTERS.		Males.	Females.	TOTAL.	Absent.	Profession.	Letter.	TOTAL.	Death.	Dismission.	Exclusion.	Total.	Adult.	Infant.
	Pastors.	Acting Pastors.	Total.	Supplied by Licentiates, &c.	Not Supplied.	Total.		Pastors.	Acting Pastors.	Total.																
Cheshire,	7	12	19	0	7	7	26	7	11	18	6	24	2	854	1880	2734	425	189	35	224	37	27	3	67	127	19
Coos,	2	4	6	2	2	4	10	2	4	6	0	6	2	183	440	623	99	11	11	22	8	4	0	12	9	5
Grafton,	8	6	14	2	5	7	21	8	6	14	11	25	4	671	1423	2094	419	56	22	78	17	28	1	46	36	20
Hillsboro',	15	16	31	0	3	3	34	16	15	31	11	42	4	1783	3886	5669	720	118	60	178	69	58	2	129	85	29
Merrimack,	7	10	17	0	8	8	25	8	10	18	10	28	2	921	1930	2851	461	89	21	110	41	25	1	67	58	18
Rockingham,	13	14	27	1	5	6	33	13	14	27	5	32	3	1122	2497	3619	643	126	22	148	37	27	0	64	78	22
Strafford,	7	11	18	1	12	13	31	7	11	18	12	30	1	650	1629	2279	480	30	17	47	21	17	2	40	22	20
Sullivan,	5	5	10	0	2	2	12	5	3	8	0	8	0	346	727	1073	202	25	10	35	20	11	0	31	17	7
TOTAL,	64	78	142	6	44	50	192	66	74	140	55	195	18	6530	14412	20942	3449	644	198	842	250	197	9	456	432	140
Total *Presb.*,	4	2	6	0	0	0	6	4	2	6	0	6	0	289	641	930	140	33	13	46	12	9	1	22	25	5
Total *Cong.*,	60	76	136	6	44	50	186	62	72	134	55	189	18	6241	13771	20012	3309	611	185	796	238	188	8	434	407	135

NOTE. The additions, removals and baptisms include the time from June 1, 1876 to Jan. 1, 1877.

SUMMARY. II.

CONFERENCES.	Families in Parish.		Sabbath Schools.		Benevolent Contributions.							
	Churches Reporting.	Number.	Total.	Average.	Churches Reporting.	College and Educational Society.	Home Missions.	American Missionary Association.	Foreign Missions.	Congregational Union.	All Other.	Total.
Cheshire,	25	1741	3463	1928	20	$62.84	$703.40	$345.20	$799.27	$18.22	$441.74	$2370.67
Coos,	10	543	772	485	6	8.00	91.00	81.44	261.50	32.00	65.48	539.42
Grafton,	21	1411	2310	1416	16	23 21	813.02	232.68	806.21	20.00	202.60	2097.72
Hillsboro',	34	3690	6250	3864	32	59.64	807.42	792.16	1525.52	58.99	1080.61	4324.34
Merrimack,	24	1990	3153	1871	18	203.02	1023.45	348.07	637.85	109.91	1319.23	3641.53
Rockingham,	32	2367	3881	2533	29	15.19	1287.83	770.63	1631.50	15.00	830.74	4550.89
Strafford,	31	1908	3077	1968	23	39.35	1026.99	221.29	650.61	0.00	500.31	2438.55
Sullivan,	12	671	1148	628	9	52.34	362.45	127.36	277.62	0.00	115.93	935.70
TOTAL,	189	14321	24054	14693	153	$463.59	$6115.56	$2918.83	$6590.08	$254.12	$4556.64	$20898.82
Total, *Presb.*,	6	608	1094	657	6	$0.00	$67.41	$61.50	$42.90	$0.00	$312.13	$483.94
Total, *Cong.*,	183	13713	22960	14036	147	$463.59	$6048.15	$2857.33	$6547.18	$254.12	$4244.51	$20414.88

NOTE. The time included in the above is from June 1, 1876 to January 1, 1877. The contributions reported by the Presbyterian Churches, excepting "All Other," were for Congregational objects.

SUMMARY. III. (CHANGES.)

CONFERENCES.	Churches.				Ministers, from Sept. 1876 to Sept. 1, 1877.							Sabbath Schools.		Benevolent Contributions.	
					Pastors.				Ord. without Installat'n.	Died.					
	New.	Dropped.	Gain of Members.	Loss of members.	Ordained.	Installed.	Died.	Dismissed.		Acting Pastors.	Without Charge.	Gain.	Loss.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cheshire,	0	0	139	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	360	$0.00	$3905.33
Coos,	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	0.00	272.56
Grafton,	0	2	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	16	0	0.00	783.72
Hillsboro',	0	0	47	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	437	0.00	6480.92
Merrimack,	0	0	33	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	21	0	0.00	501.93
Rockingham,	0	0	83	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	218	0.00	2182.99
Strafford,	0	1	0	36	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	36	0	0.00	896.34
Sullivan,	0	1	0	43	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	15	0	0.00	873.19
TOTAL,	0	4	272	0	1	1	1	8	4	1	1	0	977	$0.00	$15896.98
Total, *Presb.*,	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	$0.00	$511.36
Total, *Cong.*,	0	4	259	0	1	1	1	8	4	1	1	0	940	$0.00	$15385.62

NOTE. The time included in above, with exceptions noted, is from June 1, 1876 to January 1, 1877—seven months—which accounts, in part, for the large decrease of benevolent contributions.

CHANGES IN THE LIST OF CHURCHES.

From Sept. 1, 1876 to Sept. 1, 1877.

NEW CHURCHES: None.

DROPPED FROM THE LIST:

Grafton Conference—Bridgewater and Thornton.

Strafford Conference—Tuftonborough.

Sullivan Conference—Lempster, East.

The above are regarded as extinct, or having no prospect of survival.

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MINISTERIAL RECORD.

From Sept. 1, 1876 to Sept. 1, 1877.

LICENSES:

1877. June 5, Charles C. Bruce, Derry Association.
Frank E. Mills, " "
Henry B. Roberts, " "
Herbert M. Scruton, " "
Leonard B. Tenney, " "

PASTOR ORDAINED:

1877. Aug. 23, George H. Dunlap, Charlestown.

ORDAINED WITHOUT INSTALLATION:

1876. Sept. 17, Daniel B. Dodge, at Nashua, as missionary among the Freedmen.

1877. May 25, James DeBuchananne, at Barrington.
Aug. 21, John H. Hoffman, at Henniker.
Aug. 30, Charles L. Tomblen, at Gilmanton Iron Works.

PASTOR INSTALLED:

1877. Feb. 28, John W. Colwell, Concord, West.

PASTORS DISMISSED:

1876. Sept. 30, Levi Brigham, Troy.
Dec. 26, Washington Choate, Manchester, Franklin St. Church.

1877. Feb. 26, Edward S. Huntress, Derry, First church.
April 1, George Rogers, Gilmanton Iron Works.
April 10, Marvin D. Bisbee, Fisherville.
April 14, George E. Lovejoy, Candia.
April 25, James Marshall, Acworth.
July 3, Joseph A. Freeman, Boscawen.

MINISTERS DECEASED, in the State:

Rev. ERASMUS IRVING CARPENTER, acting pastor at Swanzey. Born April 29, 1808; died Feb. 10, 1877.

Rev. ASAHEL BIGELOW, pastor at Hancock. Born March 14, 1797; died August 16, 1877.

Rev. ASA DODGE SMITH, D.D., LL.D., Ex-President Dartmouth College. Born Sept. 21, 1804; died at Hanover, Aug. 16, 1877.

MINISTERS DECEASED, who had labored in this State, whose home at death was elsewhere:

Rev. SAMUEL ORDWAY, died at Marshalltown, Iowa, Nov. 2, 1876. Acting pastor at Auburn, 1841-6.

Rev. ROBERT B. HALL, died at Cambridgeport, Mass., Nov. 3, 1876. Pastor at Wolfeboro', 1873-5.

Rev. ANDREW GOVAN, died at Brandon, Mich., Nov. 10, 1876. Pastor at Lancaster, 1832-5; acting pastor at Kingston, 1835-6.

Rev. GARDINER S. BROWN, M.D., died at Chicago, Ill., Dec. 29, 1876. Pastor at Hinsdale, 1838-44.

Rev. EZRA SCOVEL, died at Saugatuck, Mich., 1876. Pastor at Pittsfield, 1827-9.

Rev. ROBERT W. FULLER, died at Stowe, Mass., March 13, 1877. Acting pastor at Tuftonboro', 1839-40; pastor at West-

moreland, 1841-3; acting pastor at Acworth, 1843-5; pastor at Warner, 1845-50; acting pastor at Lempster, 1856-60.

Rev. JOHN M. STOWE, died at Hubbardston, Mass., May 9, 1877. Pastor at Walpole, 1855-62; acting pastor at Sullivan, 1863-70.

Rev. ERASTUS B. CLAGGETT, died at New Fairfield, Ct., May 16, 1877. Pastor at Lyndeboro', 1846-70.

Rev. SAMUEL DELANO, died at Williamstown, Vt., May 24, 1877. Pastor at Haverhill, 1842-7.

Rev. RUFUS P. WELLS, died at Norton, Mass., May 25, 1877. Acting pastor at Mason, 1874-7.

Rev. SAMUEL R. HALL, LL. D., died at Brownington, Vt., June 24, 1877. Principal Plymouth Academy.

For a more extended account of the above, see *Congregational Quarterly*.

ACTING PASTORS, *acceded*.

1876. Oct. 1, John F. Bassett, Jaffrey.
Oct. 1, George A. Beckwith, Franconia.
Oct. 1, John W. Haley, Hudson.
Oct. 20, Elliot C. Cogswell, Epsom.
Nov. 1, Franklin Davis, Tamworth.
Nov. 12, Jeremiah K. Aldrich, Nashua, Olive St.
Dec. 1, Justus N. Brown, Wilton.

1877. Jan. 1, John H. Larry, Wilmot.
March 11, James W. Hubbell, Portsmouth.
April 1, Samuel F. Lougee, Danbury.
April 1, Theodore C. Pratt, Orfordville.
April 1, George Smith, Hanover Center.
April 15, Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D., Derry, First Church.
April 22, James Wells, Dunbarton.
May 1, Benjamin Labaree, D.D., Acworth.

1877. May 1, James Marshall, Troy.
May 1, A. Burton Palmer, Deering.
May 1, Henry W. L. Thurston, Harrisville.
May 24, John M. Hart, *Licentiate*, Bristol.
June 1, Nathaniel S. Moore, Hancock.
June 1, Henry H. Saunderson, Swanzey.
June 1, Edward P. Stone, Center Harbor.
June 1, Charles L. Tomblen, Gilmanton Iron Works.
June 10, John H. Hoffman, Henniker.
July 15, Cyrus M. Perry, Pembroke.
July 29, John N. Lowell, *Licentiate*, Milton.
Aug. 1, Darius B. Scott, Milton Mills.

ACTING PASTORS, *retired.*

1876. Nov. 5, Jeremiah K. Aldrich, Rye.
Nov. 12, Amos Holbrook, Harrisville and East Sullivan.
Dec. 9, David S. Hibbard, Loudon.
Dec. 31, William F. Bacon, Laconia.
Dec. 31, Mark Gould, Nelson.
Dec. 31, Caleb B. Tracy, Wilmot.
1877. Jan. 14, Alexander C. Child, Orfordville.
March 11, Rufus P. Wells, Mason.
March 18, Theodore C. Pratt, Hancock.
March 31, William C. Scofield, Salisbury and Webster.
March 31, George Smith, Danbury.
March 31, Edward P. Stone, Pembroke.
April 10, Joshua S. Gay, Center Harbor.
April 15, Samuel W. Clarke, Milton.
April 30, Henry W. L. Thurston, Goshen.
April 30, Charles L. Tappan, Sandwich and N. Sandwich.
May 6, Albert W. Moore, Bristol.
May 31, J. Lincoln Litch, Monroe.
June 10, Ezra Haskell, Salmon Falls.
June 14, Jonathan B. Cook, Hebron.
June 30, George H. Tilton, Wolfeboro'.
June 30, George F. Wright, Northwood.
June 30, Paul H. Pitkin, Farmington.
Aug. 26, Joseph Bartlett, South Newmarket.
Aug. 31, Isaiah P. Smith, Dover, Belknap St.

LIST OF TOWNS

WHERE THERE HAVE BEEN CONGREGATIONAL OR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES, WHICH ARE NO LONGER BORNE UPON THE ROLL, THE SAME BEING PRACTICALLY OR REALLY EXTINCT.

Those towns where churches now exist, though others within their limits may have become extinct, are not reported in this list.

	Organized.	*Became extinct or last reported.*
Alexandria,	1788	1841
Bridgewater,	1818	1873
Danville,	1763	?
East Kingston,	1739	1813 (?)
Gosport,	1639 (?)	1826
Lyman,	1814	1835
Marlow,	1823	1833
New Durham,	1773 (?)	1777
New Hampton,	1800	1839
Newton,	1759 (?)	1791
Orange,	1828	1832
Sandown,	1759	
Sharon,	1835	1838
South Hampton,	1743	1827
Springfield,	1820	1836
Stark,	1810	1831
Sunapee,	1819	1829
Thornton,	1780	1875
Tuftonborough,	1806 (?)	1871
Unity,	1819	1842
Whitefield,	1826	1847

MINISTERS,

CONGREGATIONAL OR PRESBYTERIAN, RESIDING IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE, OTHER THAN THOSE SUPPLYING CHURCHES OR MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATIONS IN THIS STATE. POST OFFICE ADDRESS WILL BE FOUND IN ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS.

Name.	*Ordained.*
Alden, Lucius,	Sept. 29, 1825.
Blanchard, Silas M.,	Oct. 27, 1853.
Connell, David,	Nov. 20, 1842.
Ela, Benjamin,	May, 29, 1846.
Gay, William M.,	March 31, 1863.
Hall, Jeffries,	June 5, 1833.
Jennison, Edwin,	Aug. 17, 1831.
Lee, Samuel,	Nov. 4, 1830.
Manning, Abel,*	Nov. 7, 1820.
Marden, Henry,	Sept. 2, 1869.
Pulsifer, Daniel,	July, 1834.
Sawyer, Daniel,	May 13, 1846.
Seabury, Edwin,	June, 1840.
Smith, John C.,	Sept. 29, 1841.
Tilton, George H.,	June 4, 1873.

*Since printing Association tables, it has appeared that Mr. Manning is a member of Sullivan Association.

INDEX OF ALL THE CITIES AND TOWNS

IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE, AND OF SUCH PARTS OF TOWNS AS HAVE DISTINCT NAMES, WHERE THERE ARE CONGREGATIONAL OR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES, WITH THE PAGE UPON WHICH THEIR STATISTICS MAY BE FOUND.

Post Office.	*Conference.*	*Page.*
Acworth,	Sullivan,	62-3
Alstead Center,	Cheshire,	48-9
" East,	"	48-9
"	"	48-9
Alton,	Strafford,	60-1
Amherst,	Hillsboro',	34-5
Andover, East,	Merrimack,	36-7
Antrim,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Atkinson,	Rockingham,	58-9
Auburn,	"	58-9
Barnstead North,	Strafford,	60-1
" Parade,	"	60-1
Barrington,	"	60-1
Bath,	Grafton,	52-3
Bedford,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Bennington,	"	54-5
Bethlehem,	Coos,	50-1
Boscawen,	Merrimack,	56-7
Bradford,	"	56-7
Brentwood,	Rockingham,	58-9
Bristol,	Grafton,	52-3
Brookline,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Campton,	Grafton,	52-3
Canaan,	"	52-3
Candia,	Rockingham,	58-9
Canterbury,	Merrimack,	56-7
Center Harbor,	Strafford,	60-1
Charlestown,	Sullivan,	62-3
Chatham,	Coos,	50-1
Chester,	Rockingham,	58-9
Chesterfield,	Cheshire,	48-9
Chichester,	Merrimack,	56-7
Claremont,	Sullivan,	62-3
Colebrook,	Coos,	50-1
Concord, First,	Merrimack,	56-7
" West,	"	56-7
" South,	"	56-7
" East,	"	56-7
Conway, North,	Strafford,	60-1
Cornish,	Sullivan,	62-3
Croydon,	"	62-3
Dalton,	Coos,	50-1
Danbury,	Grafton,	52-3
Deerfield,	Rockingham,	58-9
Deering,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Derry, East, 1st.,	Rockingham,	58-9
" 1st, Cong.,	"	58-9
Dorchester,	Grafton,	52-3
Dover, First,	Strafford,	60-1
" Belknap,	"	60-1

Post Office.	*Conference.*	*Page.*
Dublin, Trin. Cong.,	Cheshire,	48-9
Dunbarton,	Merrimack,	56-7
Durham,	Strafford,	60-1
Effingham,	"	60-1
Enfield,	Grafton.	52-3
Epping,	Rockingham,	58-9
Epsom,	Merrimack,	56-7
Exeter, 1st,	Rockingham,	58-9
" 2nd,	"	58-9
Farmington,	Strafford,	60-1
Fisherville,	Merrimack,	56-7
Fitzwilliam,	Cheshire,	48-9
Francestown,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Franconia,	Grafton,	52-3
Franklin,	Merrimack,	56-7
Gilmanton, East,	Strafford,	60-1
" Center,	"	60-1
" Iron Works,	"	60-1
Gilsum,	Cheshire,	48-9
Goffstown,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Gorham,	Coos,	50-1
Goshen,	Sullivan,	62-3
Great Falls,	(SeeSomersworth)	60-1
Greenfield,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Greenland,	Rockingham,	58-9
Greenville,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Groton,	Grafton,	52-3
Hampstead,	Rockingham,	58-9
Hampton,	"	58-9
" Falls,	(With Seabrook),	58-9
Hancock,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Hanover, Dart. Col.,	Grafton,	52-3
" Center,	"	52-3
Harrisville,	Cheshire,	48-9
Haverhill,	Grafton,	52-3
Hebron,	"	52-3
Henniker,	Merrimack,	56-7
Hill,	"	56-7
Hillsboro' Center,	Hillsboro',	54-5
" Bridge,	"	54-5
Hinsdale,	Cheshire,	48-9
Hollis,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Hooksett,	Merrimack,	56-7
Hopkinton,	"	56-7
Hudson,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Jaffrey,	Cheshire,	48-9
" East,	"	48-9
Keene, 1st,	"	48-9
" 2nd,	"	48-9
Kensington,	Rockingham,	58-9

Post Office.	*Conference.*	*Page.*
Kingston,	Rockingham,	58-8
Laconia.	Strafford,	60-1
Lancaster,	Coos,	50-1
Langdon,	Sullivan,	62-3
Lebanon,	Grafton,	52-3
" West,	"	52-3
Lee,	Strafford,	60-1
Lempster,	Sullivan.	62-3
Litchfield.	Hillsboro',	54-5
Littleton,	Coos,	50-1
Londonderry,	Rockingham,	58-9
Loudon,	Merrimack,	56-7
Lyme,	Grafton,	52-3
Lyndeborough,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Manchester. First,	"	54-5
" Franklin St.,	"	54-5
Marlborough.	Cheshire,	48-9
Mason,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Meredith Village,	Strafford.	60-1
Meriden,	(In Plainfield),	62-3
Merrimack, First,	Hillsboro',	54-5
" South,	"	54-5
Milford,	"	54-5
Milton,	Strafford,	60-1
" Mills,	"	60-1
Monroe,	Grafton,	52-3
Mont Vernon,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Moultonborough,	Strafford,	60-1
Nashua, First,	Hillsboro',	54-5
" Olive St.,	"	54-5
" Pearl St.,	"	54-5
Nelson,	Cheshire,	48-9
New Boston,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Newcastle,	Rockingham,	58-9
Newington,	"	58-9
New Ipswich,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Newmarket,	Rockingham,	58-9
Newport,	Sullivan,	62-3
Northfield,	(With Tilton),	56-7
North Hampton,	Rockingham,	58-9
Northwood,	"	58-9
Nottingham,	"	58-9
Orfordville,	Grafton,	52-3
Orford, West,	"	52-3
Ossipee Center,	Strafford,	60-1
Pelham.	Hillsboro',	54-5
Pembroke,	Merrimack,	56-7
Peterborough,	Hillsboro',	54-5

Post Office,	*Conference.*	*Page.*
Piermont,	Grafton.	52-3
Pittsfield.	Merrimack,	56-7
Plainfield,	Sullivan,	62-3
Plaistow,	Rockingham,	58-9
Plymouth,	Grafton,	52-3
Portsmouth,	Rockingham,	58-9
Raymond,	"	58-9
Rindge,	Cheshire,	48-9
Rochester,	Strafford,	60-1
Rollinsford, S. Falls,	"	60-1
Roxbury,	Cheshire,	48-9
Rye,	Rockingham,	58-9
Salem,	"	58-9
Salisbury,	Merrimack,	56-7
Salmon Falls,	(In Rollinsford),	60-1
Sanbornton,	Strafford,	60-1
Sandwich,	"	60-1
" North,	"	60-1
Seabrook & H. Falls,	Rockingham,	58-9
" South,	"	58-9
Shelburne,	Coos,	50-1
Somersw'th.G.Falls,	Strafford,	60-1
South Newmarket,	Rockingham,	58-9
Stewartstown, West,	Coos,	50-1
Stoddard,	Cheshire,	48-9
Stratham,	Rockingham,	58-9
Sullivan,	Cheshire,	48-9
" East,	"	48-9
Surry,	"	48-9
Swanzey.	"	48-9
Tamworth,	Strafford,	60-1
Temple,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Tilton & Northfield,	Merrimack,	56-7
Troy,	Cheshire,	48-9
Wakefield,	Strafford,	60-1
Walpole,	Cheshire,	48-9
Warner,	Merrimack,	56-7
Washington,	Sullivan,	62-3
Weare, South,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Webster,	Merrimack,	56-7
Wentworth,	Grafton,	52-3
Westmoreland,	Cheshire,	48-9
Wilmot,	Merrimack,	56-7
Wilton,	Hillsboro',	54-5
Winchester,	Cheshire,	48-9
Windham,	Rockingham,	58-9
Wolfeborough,	Strafford,	60-1
" North,	"	60-1

NAMES

OF CONGREGATIONAL AND PRESBYTERIAN MINISTERS RESIDENT IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE, IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, WITH THE POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF EACH, AND WITH THE CONFERENCE OR ASSOCIATION, OR BOTH, WITH WHICH EACH ONE IS CONNECTED.

Names preceded by a * are those neither serving churches, nor connected with Associations.

Name.	*Post Office.*	*Conference.*	*Association*
Abbott, Ephraim E. P.,	Newport.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Adams, John,	Hillsboro' Center.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Aiken, James,	Haverhill.		Orange.
*Alden, Lucius,	Newcastle.		
Aldrich, Jeremiah K.,	Nashua.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Allen, Frederic L.,	Walpole.	Cheshire.	
Alvord, Frederick,	Nashua.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Austin, Lewis A.,	Plainfield.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Ayer, Franklin D.,	Concord.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Bard, George I.,	Meredith Village.	Strafford.	Belknap.
Barker, Nathaniel,	Wakefield.		Harmony.
Bartlett, Joseph,	South Newmarket.		Piscataqua.
Bartlett, Sam'l C., D.D.,	Hanover.		
Bassett, John F.,	Jaffrey.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Batchelder, John S.,	Hampton.	Rockingham.	
Beckwith, George A.,	Franconia.	Coos.	
Benedict, Arthur J.,	Gorham.	Coos.	
Benson, Almon,	Center Harbor.		Belknap.
Berry, Augustus,	Pelham.	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
Bittenger, John Q.,	Haverhill.	Grafton.	Or'nge & W. B.
Blake, Jeremiah, M.D.,	Gilmanton I. W.		Suncook.
Blake, Joseph, D.D.,	Gilmanton.	Strafford.	Belknap.
Blake, S. Leroy,	Concord.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Blakely, Quincy,	Campton.	Grafton.	Belknap.
*Blanchard, Silas M.,	Hudson.		
Bouton, Nathaniel, D.D.,	Concord.		Merrimack.
Bowker, Samuel,	Salem.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Bragdon, John.	New Boston.	Hillsboro'.	
Bremner, David,	*Boxford, Ms.*	Rockingham.	
Brickett, Harry,	Hillsboro' Bridge.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Brown, Justus N.,	Wilton.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Bugbey, William S.,	West Stewartstown.	Coos.	
Burnham, Abraham,	East Concord.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Burr, Austin H.,	Franklin.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Butler, Edward P.,	Lyme.	Grafton.	Orange.
Buxton, Edward,	Webster.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Byington, Swift,	Exeter.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Carr, William O.,	Barnstead.	Strafford.	Suncook.
Chandler, Frederic D.,	Kensington.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Chapin, George F.,	Alstead.	Chesh. & Sul.	Monadnock.
Chapman, Jacob,	Kingston.	Rockingham.	Piscat. & Sun.
Child, Alexander C.,	Orfordville.		Orange.
Clark, Frank G.,	Rindge.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Clark, John,	Plymouth.		Belknap.
Clark, Sumner,	Wakefield.		Piscataqua.
Clark, William, D.D.,	Amherst.		Hollis.
Clark, William L. S.,	Temple.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Coan, Leander S.,	Alton.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Cochrane, Warren R.,	Antrim.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Cogswell, Eliot C.,	Northwood.	Merrimack.	
Colburn, Henry H.,	Stoddard.	Chesh. & Sul.	Monadnock.
Colby, John,	Fitzwilliam.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Colwell, John W.,	West Concord.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Conant, Liba,	Bristol.		Belknap.
*Connell, David,	Plymouth.		

Name.	*Post Office.*	*Conference.*	*Association*
Cook, Jonathan B.,	Hebron.		Merrimack.
Curtice, Corban,	Tilton.		Merrimack.
Davis, Franklin,	Tamworth.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Davis, Josiah G., D.D.,	Amherst.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Davis, Wm. V. W.,	Manchester.	Hillsboro'.	
Deldt. James,	Canterbury.	Merrimack.	Harmony.
Dowden, William H.,	East Jaffrey.	Cheshire.	
Downs, Charles A.,	Lebanon.		Sullivan.
Drake, Samuel S.,	Sullivan.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Dunlap, George H.,	Charlestown.	Sullivan.	
Dustan, George,	Peterboro'.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Dutton, John M.,	Lebanon.	Grafton.	White River.
Eastman. Edward P.,	Ossipee Center.	Strafford.	
*Ela, Benjamin,	Merrimack.		
Emerson, Brown H.,	Thornton's Ferry.	Hillsboro'.	
Fiske, Albert W.,	Fisherville.		Merrimack.
Flanders, Charles N.,	Westm'land Depot.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Foss, George A.,	Chichester.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Fullerton, Jeremiah E.	Laconia.	Strafford.	
Gay, Joshua S.,	Center Harbor.		Belknap.
*Gay, William M.,	Thornton's Ferry.		
Gerould, Samuel L.,	Goffstown.	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
Goodwin, Daniel,	Mason.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Goodyear, George,	Temple.		Hollis.
Grant, Benj. F.,	Newcastle.	Rockingham.	
Greeley, Edward H.,	Concord.		Merrimack.
Greeley, Stephen S. N.,	Gilmanton Center.	Merrimack.	
Hadley, James B.,	Campton.		Belknap.
Haines, Thomas V.,	Northampton.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Haley, Frank,	Seabrook.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Haley, John W.,	*Tyngsboro', Mass.*	Hillsboro'.	
*Hall, Jeffries,	Chesterfield.		
Harlow, Lincoln,	Lyndeborough.	Hillsboro'.	
Harmon, Elijah,	Winchester.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Harrington, Chas. E.,	Lancaster.	Coos.	Orange.
Harris, Leonard W.,	Colebrook.	Coos.	Lancaster.
Haskell, Ezra,	Dover.		Piscataqua.
Haskins, Robert W.,	Derry.	Rockingham.	Derry.
Hayward, Silvanus,	Gilsum.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Hibbard, David S.,	Gilmanton Center.		Belknap.
Hoffman, John H.,	Henniker.	Merrimack.	
Holman, Morris,	Antrim.		Union.
Holmes, James,	Bennington.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Houghton, Charles E.,	Auburn.	Rockingham.	
Hubbard, Charles L.,	Reed's Ferry.	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
Hubbell, James W.,	Portsmouth.	Rockingham.	
Jackson, James T.,	Cornish Flat.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Jackson, William C.,	Brentwood.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Jenness, George O.,	Wakefield.	Strafford.	
*Jennison. Edwin,	Winchester.		
Jewett, William R.,	Concord.		Merrimack.
Kelsey, Hiram L.,	Hollis.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Kendall, Henry A.,	East Concord.		Merrimack.
Kinne, George W.,	Bath.	Grafton.	Sullivan.
Knowlton. Francis B.,	Orford.	Grafton.	Orange.
Labaree, Benj., D.D.,	Charlestown.	Sullivan.	
Larry, John H.,	Wilmot.	Merrimack.	
Leach, Giles,	Meredith.		Belknap.
Leach, Joseph A.,	Keene.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
LeBosquet, John,	Lempster.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
*Lee, Samuel,	New Ipswich.		
Leeds, Samuel P., D.D.,	Hanover.	Grafton.	White River.
Lees, John W.,	Lee.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Lougee, Samuel F.,	Danbury.	Grafton.	
Manning, Abel,	Goffstown.		Sullivan.
Marden, Augustus L.,	Piermont.	Grafton.	Orange.
*Marden, Henry,	New Boston.		
Marshall, James,	Troy.	Cheshire.	Sullivan.
McClenning, Daniel B.,	East Concord.		Union.
Melvin, Charles T.,	Atkinson.	Rockingham.	Derry.
Merriam, George F.,	Greenville.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Merrill, John L.,	Marlboro'.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.

Name.	*Post Office.*	*Conference.*	*Association.*
Milliken, Chas. E.,	Littleton.	Coos.	Orange.
Moody, Howard,	East Andover.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Moore, Nathaniel S.,	Hancock.	Hillsboro'.	
Norcross, S. Girard,	North Conway.	Strafford.	
Noyes, Daniel J., D.D.,	Hanover.		White River.
Otis, Israel T.,	Exeter.		Piscataqua.
Packard, Charles,	Windham.	Rockingham.	Derry.
Page, Jesse,	Atkinson.		Derry.
Palmer, A. Burton,	South Weare.	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
Palmer, Charles M.,	Meriden.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Parker, Henry E.,	Hanover.		White River.
Partridge, Sam'l H., M.D.,	Greenfield.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Patten, William A.,	Kingston.		Piscataqua.
Peabody, Albert D.,	Stratham.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Perkins, Frederic T.,	Tilton.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Pert, Luther B.,	Londonderry.	Rockingham.	
Perry, Cyrus M.,	Pembroke.	Merrimack.	
Pierce, George, jr.,	Milford.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Pierce, George J.,	Wentworth.	Grafton.	
Pitkin, Paul H.,	Farmington.		Piscataqua.
Pratt, Theodore C.,	Orfordville.	Grafton,	Orange.
*Pulsifer, Daniel,	Danbury.		
Quick, Abram J.,	Rochester.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Rand, William A.,	South Seabrook.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Rand, William H.,	Manchester.		Derry.
Rich, Alonzo B., D.D.,	West Lebanon.	Grafton.	White River.
Richardson, Cyrus,	Keene.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Richardson, Gilbert B.,	East Alstead.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Roberts, Thomas E.,	Keene.		Monadnock.
Robie, Edward,	Greenland.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Rodgers, Levi,	Claremont.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Rood, Heman, D.D.,	Hanover.		White River.
Runnels, Moses T.,	Sanbornton.	Strafford.	Belknap.
Sargent, Frank D.,	Brookline.	Hillsboro.	Hollis.
Saunderson, Henry H.,	Swanzey.	Cheshire.	
*Sawyer, Daniel,	Hopkinton.		
Scott, Darius B.,	Milton Mills.	Strafford.	
Scott, George H.,	Plymouth.	Grafton.	Belknap.
*Seabury, Edwin,	Walpole.		
Selden, Edward G.,	Manchester.	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
Seymour, Bela N.,	New Ipswich.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Shattuck, Amos F.,	Hollis.		Hollis.
Smith, George,	Hanover Center.	Grafton.	Merrimack.
Smith, Isaiah P.,	Dover.		Piscataqua.
*Smith, John C.,	Winchester.		
Spalding, George B.,	Dover.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Spear, William E.,	Dunbarton.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Stearns, Josiah R.,	Epping.	Rockingham,	Piscataqua.
Stone, Clarendon A.,	Hopkinton.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Stone, Edward P.,	Center Harbor.	Strafford.	Merrimack.
Street, George E.,	Exeter.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Talbot, Henry L.,	Durham.	Strafford.	
Tappan, Charles L.,	Sandwich.		Belknap.
Tenney, Charles,	Chester.	Rockingham.	Derry.
Thompson, George W.,	Stratham.		Piscataqua.
Thurston, Henry W. L.,	Harrisville.	Cheshire.	Sullivan.
*Tilton, George H.,	Wolfeborough.		
Tomblen, Charles L.,	Gilmanton I. W.	Strafford.	
Tracy, Caleb B.,	Wilmot.		Merrimack.
Tyson, Ira C.,	Bedford.	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
Wallace, Cyrus W., D.D.,	Manchester.	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
Watson, Albert,	Hampstead.	Rockingham.	Derry.
Watson, Charles C.,	Hinsdale.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Webb, Stephen W.,	Great Falls.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Wells, James,	Dunbarton.	Merrimack.	
Wetherby, Charles,	Nashua.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
White, Isaac C.,	Newmarket.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
White, Lyman,	Deerfield.	Rockingham.	Merrimack.
Willey, Isaac,	Pembroke.		Merrimack.
Wood, Horace,	Gilsum.		Monadnock.
Woodwell, William H.	Mont Vernon.	Hillsboro'.	

NAMES

OF MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATIONS RESIDING IN OTHER STATES, WITH THE ASSOCIATION TO WHICH EACH BELONGS.

Name.	*Post Office.*	*Association.*
Bacon, William F.,	Chelsea, Mass.	Belknap.
Barrows, John O.,	Western Turkey.	Piscataqua.
Brigham, Levi,	Marlboro', Mass.	Monadnock.
Bullard, Ebenezer W.,	Stockbridge, Mass.	Derry.
Burbank, Justin E.,		Monadnock.
Clark, Edward W.,	Westboro', Mass.	Sullivan.
Clark, Samuel W.,	Wenham, Mass.	Piscataqua.
Freeman, Joseph A.,	Broad Brook, Ct.	Merrimack.
Gates, Matthew A.,	St. Johnsbury, Vt.	Merrimack.
Gould, Mark,	Ashburnham, Mass.	Monadnock & Suncook.
Hartshorne, Vaola J.,	Hyannis, Mass.	White River.
Huntress, Edward S.,	Wallingford, Vt.	Derry.
Keeler, Seth H., D.D.,	Somerville, Mass.	Hollis.
Ketchum, Silas.	Poquonock, Ct.	Merrimack.
Lovejoy, George E.,	Bedford, Mass.	Derry.
Martyn, Sanford S.,	Terre Haute, Ind.	Hollis.
Martyn, W. Carlos.	New York City.	Piscataqua.
Parsons, Ebenezer G.,	Byfield, Mass.	Derry.
Richards, Austin, D.D.,	Boston, Mass.	Hollis.
Robie, Thomas S.,	Winchendon, Mass.	Monadnock & Hollis.
Stone, Harvey M.,	Worthington, Mass.	Piscataqua.
Tenney, Erdix, D.D.,	Westboro', Mass.	Orange.

LICENTIATES

SERVING CHURCHES AS ACTING PASTORS; OR, UNDER CARE OF ASSOCIATIONS.

Name.	*Residence.*	*Licensed.*	*Association*
Adriance, S. Winchester,	*Poughkeepsie, N. Y.*	June 6, 1876.	Derry.
Baker, Orrin G.,	Derry.	June 6, 1876.	Derry.
Bartlett, Frederick H.,	Bristol.	July, 1877.	Merrimack.
Bruce, Charles C.,	Peterboro'.	June 5, 1877.	Derry.
Cary, Otis, jr.,	*Foxboro', Mass.*	June 6, 1876.	Derry.
Grover, George W.,	Concord,	March 7, 1876.	Merrimack.
Hadley, Willis A.,	Newington.	July 6, 1876.	Union.
Hall, Albert E.,	Dalton.	Feb. 2, 1875.	Orange.
Hart, John M.,	Bristol,	May 4, 1875.	*N. H. Cent. Ct.*
Kellogg, H. Martyn,	*North Hadley, Mass.*	Jan. 18, 1876.	Derry.
Kimball, Joseph,	Plaistow.	July 15, 1863.	Derry.
Leavitt, J. Henry,	Chatham.	Oct. 6, 1875.	*Union, Me.*
Lowell, John N.,	Milton.	May 2. 1876.	*N. H. West Ct.*
Mills, Frank E.,	*Pepperell, Mass.*	June 5, 1877.	Derry.
Parker, Francis,	Enfield.	June 23, 1874.	*Andover, Ms.*
Pettee, James H.,	Manchester.	June 6, 1876.	Derry.
Rand, Lyman F.,	Keene.	May, 1873.	Monadnock.
Roberts, Henry B.,	*Everett, Mass.*	June 5, 1877.	Derry.
Sanborn Edwin D., LL.D.,	Hanover.	Nov. 1, 1836.	White River.
Sawyer, Aaron W.,	Nashua.	May 6, 1873.	Hollis.
Scruton, Herbert M.,	*Lawrence, Mass.*	June 5, 1877.	Derry.
Tenney, Leonard B.,	*Barre, Vt.*	June 5, 1877.	Derry.
Walker, Isaac, A.M.,	Pembroke.	July 7, 1874.	Merrimack.

REMARKS UPON THE STATISTICS.

The tables of the local Associations give the membership as it was July 1st. The place and time of graduation from college and Seminary are not given as heretofore, since these items have been permanently recorded in the "Ministry and Churches of New-Hampshire," by Rev. H. A. Hazen. The Statistical Secretary is endeavoring to obtain from each minister who becomes a pastor or acting pastor in this State, the facts included in the above named work, of which he makes a record for the future use of the General Association.

The statistics of the churches, in the Conference table, shows their standing January 1, 1877. The list of ministers, however, as far as information could be obtained, has been corrected to September 1st. The time included in the returns from the churches is only the seven months from June 1, 1876 to January 1, 1877. The apparent falling off in benevolence, as shown in the right hand table, is accounted for, largely, by the broken year. Hereafter, the calendar year will be reported. The names of church clerks are printed this year for the first time. It is done to facilitate correspondence with a church in case it has no minister. It is very desirable that the clerks or ministers themselves should give the Secretary prompt information, as they occur, of all ministerial changes, with the date.

The Statistical Secretary now collects the reports directly from the churches, instead of through the Conference Scribes. This course will be continued for the present. Returns have been received from *every church in the State*, though, in some cases, not without the expense of some postage and patience.

TIMES AND PLACES

OF FORMER ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION, WITH THE NAMES OF THE MODERATORS AND PREACHERS WHO OFFICIATED.

General Association organized at Concord, June 8, 1809.

Date.	*Place.*	*Moderator.*	*Preacher.*
1809.	Boscawen.	Elihu Thayer, D.D.	John H. Church.
1810.	Exeter.	Wm. F. Rowland.	None.
1811.	Dunbarton.	Pearson Thurston.	Pearson Thurston.
1812.	Hollis.	Seth Payson, D.D.	Walter Harris, D.D.
1813.	Plymouth.	Isaiah Potter.	Eli Smith.
1814.	Hanover.	Seth Payson, D.D.	None.
1815.	Keene.	Wm. F. Rowland.	Wm. F. Rowland.
1816.	Concord.	John Smith.	Phineas Cooke.
1817.	Exeter.	John Kelley.	Stephen Chapin, D.D.
1818.	Dover.	Huntington Porter.	Sylvester Dana.
1819.	Haverhill.	Samuel Wood.	Josiah Webster.
1820.	Portsmouth.	Eli Smith.	Zedekiah S. Barstow.
1821.	New Ipswich.	Jonathan Ward.	Jonathan Ward.
1822.	Pembroke.	Ebenezer Hill.	John Kelley.
1823.	Acworth.	Roswell Shurtleff.	David Sutherland.
1824.	Londonderry.	John H. Church, D.D.	Joseph Rowell.
1825.	Lyme.	Drury Fairbank.	Amasa Smith.
1826.	Durham.	John H. Church, D.D.	Robert Page.
1827.	Rindge.	Walter Harris, D.D.	Bennett Tyler, D.D.
1828.	Salisbury.	Jonathan French.	Jonathan French.
1829.	Newport.	David Sutherland.	Charles Walker.
1830.	Portsmouth.	Phineas Cook.	Ephraim P. Bradford.
1831.	Concord.	Nathaniel Lambert.	Ebenezer Coleman.
1832.	Amherst.	John Woods.	Joseph W. Clary.
1833.	Keene.	Nathan Lord, D.D.	Joseph Lane.
1834.	Meredith Bridge.	Edward L. Parker.	Andrew Govan.
1835.	Plymouth.	Zedekiah S. Barstow.	Samuel Harris.
1836.	Exeter.	Silas Aiken.	Nathan Lord, D.D.
1837.	Claremont.	Phineas Cooke.	Jonathan Curtis.
1838.	New Ipswich.	Jonathan French.	Abraham Burnham.
1839.	Lyme.	Zedekiah S. Barstow.	Edwin Holt,
1840.	Hampton.	Jonathan French.	Giles Leach.
1841.	Francestown.	Isaac Robinson.	Isaac Robinson.
1842.	Dover.	Nathaniel Bouton.	Austin Richards.
1843.	Nashua.	John Richards.	John Richards.
1844.	Concord.	John M. Whiton.	Jonathan McGee.
1845.	Portsmouth.	Archibald Burgess.	John K. Young.
1846.	Newport.	Edward L. Parker.	Edward L. Parker.
1847.	Meredith Bridge.	Jonathan French.	Nathaniel Barker.

Date.	*Place.*	*Moderator.*	*Preacher.*
1848.	Manchester.	Thomas Savage.	Nathaniel Bouton.
1849.	Plymouth.	John M. Whiton, D.D.	Thomas Savage.
1850.	Great Falls.	Nathaniel Bouton.	Nathan Lord, D.D.
1851.	Acworth.	Alvan Tobey.	James T. McCollom.
1852.	Pittsfield.	Moses Gerould.	Moses Gerould.
1853.	Littleton.	Jacob Scales.	Amos Blanchard.
1854.	Derry.	Pliny B. Day.	Jacob Cummings.
1855.	Concord.	Thomas Savage.	Charles Shedd.
1856.	Exeter, 1st.	E. Irvin Carpenter.	E. Irvin Carpenter.
1857.	Keene.	Rufus Case.	John McC. Bartley.
1858.	Hampton.	Nathaniel Bouton, D.D.	John H. Merrill.
1859.	Boscawen.	Z. S. Barstow, D.D.	Josiah G. Davis.
1860.	Claremont.	Cyrus W. Wallace.	Asa P. Tenney.
1861.	Portsmouth.	Hon. Thos. J. Melvin.	Joseph B. Hill.
1862.	Concord, South.	John M. R. Eaton.	Cyrus W. Wallace.
1863.	Haverhill.	Samuel G. Brown, D.D.	Elisha W. Cook.
1864.	Manchester, 2nd.	William T. Savage.	Erdix Tenny.
1865.	Newport.	Amos Foster.	Edward Robie.
1866.	Dover, 1st.	John K. Young, D.D.	Asa D. Smith, D.D.
1867.	Nashua.	Pliney B. Day, D.D.	Jeremiah Blake.
1868.	Concord, North.	E. A. Lawrence, D.D.	George Dustan.
1869.	Keene, 1st.	Henry E. Parker.	Henry E. Parker.
1870.	Milford.	Josiah G. Davis, D.D.	George M. Adams.
1871.	Rochester.	Charles A. Downs.	Charles A. Downs.
1872.	Bristol.	S. Leroy Blake.	S. Leroy Blake.
1873.	Laconia.	William J. Tucker.	William J. Tucker.
1874.	Exeter, 1st.	Hon. J. E. Sargent, LL.D.	Asa D. Smith, D.D.
1875.	Claremont.	George B. Spalding.	Swift Byington.
1876.	Littleton.	Nathaniel Bouton, D.D.	Prof. E. D. Sanborn.
1877.	Great Falls.	George Dustan.	Geo. B. Spalding.

SEVENTY-SIXTH

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

NEW-HAMPSHIRE

MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

PRESENTED AT THE

ANNIVERSARY MEETING AT GREAT FALLS,

SEPTEMBER 12, 1877.

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CONSTITUTION OF THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ARTICLE 1. This society shall be styled the NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ART. 2. The object of this society shall be to assist churches and congregations that are unable to support the gospel ministry, and to send missionaries to destitute towns and places in New-Hampshire, and also to co-operate with and aid the American Home Missionary Society in the work of home missions throughout the United States.

ART. 3. There shall annually be chosen, of the members of the Society resident in the State, a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, and nine Trustees, one third of whom to be chosen triennially, at least one third of whom shall be laymen, the seats of one third of whom to be vacated each year and filled by a new election. All elections shall be made by ballot, and the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer shall be trustees, *ex-officiis*.

ART. 4. It shall be the duty of the President, and, in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, and in the absence of the Vice-Presidents, the oldest man of the Trustees present, to preside at all meetings of the Society and the Trustees, five of whom shall constitute a quorum.

ART. 5. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the society and of the Trustees; to keep a true record of the transactions of the society and of the Trustees; to fill out commissions for missionaries and certificates of life members; to draw orders upon the Treasurer for all moneys appropriated by the Trustees, and to make an annual report to the society of the proceedings of the Trustees, and of their executive committee.

ART. 6. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the society; to lease and convey by deed any real estate belonging to the society, when directed by the trustees or their Executive Committee, and to exhibit annually an audited account of the state of the treasury, and also to exhibit his books at other times, when requested by any member of the society or contributor to its funds. He shall give bonds to such an amount as the Trustees or their committee may require.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of the Trustees to hold annual

and semi-annual meetings, and also special meetings when called by the Executive Committee; to make appropriations of money; to appoint missionaries—sound, pious, able and discreet men; to adopt such measures as they may judge important to promote the financial and general interests of the society, and to make, through the Secretary, an annnal report of their doings to the society. Immediately after the annual meeting of the society they shall appoint an Executive Committee of their number, consisting of five, including the Secretary. This committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings; to fill its own vacancies from the Trustees, or vacancies in the board of officers which may occur between the annual meetings of the society; to appoint missionaries, make appropriations, and to transact all other business which may be necessary during the intervals of the anuual and semi-annual meetings of the Trustees.

ART. 8. The society shall meet annually, on Thursday, the third day of the meeting of the General Association, at ten o'clock, A.M., or at such time and at such place as the society may have appointed at the preceding annual meeting. The society shall meet annually for business, at some day and hour previous to the time of public exercises, appointed and duly notified by the Executive Committee.

ART. 9. Any person may become a member of the society by paying two dollars as an annual subscriber, or a life member by paying thirty dollars; and every member, except life members, shall pay two dollars annually, until he or she shall signify, in writing, a desire to withdraw. All ministers, whose churches contribute annually to the funds of the society, shall be members for the time being. No member who shall neglect to pay his annual subscription, or who shall have removed from the State, shall be authorized to vote in the meetings of the society. All life male members shall have the right to vote in the meetings of the Society.

ART. 10. Every minister of the gospel, statedly laboring in this State, and in regular standing with the Congregational or Presbyterian churches, shall be considered as an agent of this society, to invite the attention of his hearers, at least once a year, to its objects, and to receive donations, subscriptions and contributions to its funds, and transmit them to its Treasurer, or its authorized agents.

ART. 11. All questions before the society shall be determined by a majority of the members present, excepting amendments of the constitution, which shall require the concurrence of two thirds of the members present, besides having been proposed a year beforehand for consideration, or recommended by the Trustees.

RULES OF THE SOCIETY.

AS REVISED BY THE TRUSTEES, AUGUST 23, 1843.

Every feeble church, soliciting aid of the NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY, should make application to the Trustees by a committee (not by a minister) duly authorized. The application should be made as near as possible to the time when the contract for ministerial labor commences, should be certified by the local Conference committee, or by two or three neighboring ministers, and should answer the following questions:

1. What is the name of the minister you wish to employ, and when does your contract with him commence?
2. What is the amount of ratable property held by the church, and what held by others, not members of the church, who contribute to the support of the ministry?*
3. What is the income of the ministerial fund, if any, and is the parsonage, if any, included in the sum you raise for your minister's support?
4. What is the amount supposed necessary for the support of your minister?
5. What sum have you raised for the support of your minister? What part has been raised by the church? How have you raised it?
6. What is the least amount of aid needed?
7. Do the members of the church generally favor the cause of temperance?
8. Are you, as a church or religious society, in debt? If so, for what purpose and to what amount?
9. Do you receive aid from any other source? If so, to what amount?

The Trustees will not be expected to continue aid to any feeble church or religious society that does not promptly discharge all pecuniary liabilities for the support of the ministry. No church or minister can enjoy the patronage of this society that is not essentially sound in the doctrines and ordinances of the gospel, as held and practiced by the Orthodox Congregational and Presbyterian churches of New England, or does not practically favor the cause of temperance. No appropriation will be made retrospectively to feeble churches, to defray the expenses

*The answer to this question should include bank, railroad, United States, and all other stocks, as far as can be ascertained.

of ministers not in commission, nor for the support of ministers who do not devote their whole time to the work of the ministry, for the benefit of the people to whom they minister. No missionary can receive his order on the Treasurer until he makes a return of service for the full time of labor specified in his commission. Every missionary who shall neglect to make his annual statistical report by the fifth of August, without satisfactory reasons, shall forfeit his appropriation.

Every feeble church must renew its application for aid according to the above rules, so long as aid shall be needed.

It is very desirable that all churches receiving aid should so arrange their ministerial contracts that the year may commence with the year of the Missionary Society, which is the 15th day of August, so that all applications for renewals of grants may be made at that time, as the Trustees can then act on all such applications at their annual meeting.

Every renewed application for aid must report every particular above required, and not make any such references as "the same as last year," &c. The failure to state all required particulars occasions great inconvenience and often expense and delay.

No church shall receive aid that does not pay at least one and one quarter per cent. on the dollar of its ratable property, that is $12.50 on $1000. The Trustees, however, will exercise discretionary power to vary this, where circumstances shall seem to demand it. As the salaries of our missionaries are inadequate to their support, the Trustees will co-operate with those churches in increasing their ministers' salaries, which will increase their own subscription for his support to 1½ per cent. on their ratable property.

As the Missionary Society is a party concerned, no church under its patronage shall dismiss its pastor without the knowledge and consent of the Trustees or the Executive Committee.

The Trustees, at their annual meeting in Manchester, in 1864, raised the percentage rule from one per cent. to one and one quarter per cent. on the dollar of ratable property. They also added, as a standing rule to the above, not to appropriate aid separately to churches so situated that they might conveniently unite in the support of one minister.

Resolutions passed by the New-Hampshine Missionary Society, Oct. 24, 1873:—

(1) That the Trustees be encouraged to use still greater efforts to bring the increasing wants of this society to the notice of every church, Congregational and Presbyterian, in New-

Hampshire, and to impress upon them the vital importance not only of contributing to the funds of the society, but of increasing their contributions.

(2) That we recommend that all money contributed for the cause of Home Missions be paid into the treasury of the State society for its special use, that the wants of our own destitutions be met first, and that surplus money be paid to the American Home Missionary Society.

(3) That the salary of every missionary stationed as pastor of a church, or laboring statedly with it, which complies with the rules of the society, relative to giving aid, be at least equal to $800, and that the Trustees be instructed to appropriate such a sum of money as, in their judgment, is absolutely necessary to secure such a salary in each case. Nothing in this resolution proposes to diminish the salary of those having more than $800, when, in the opinion of the Trustees, that larger salary should be continued. This resolution takes effect from Jan. 1, 1874.

(4) That the policy of this society be to secure a permanent pastoral relation, and that all stated supplies be encouraged and urged to enter the pastoral office at once.

(5) That two contiguous churches be placed under the charge of one man in all practicable cases, and that all aid be withheld from any church which refuses to enter into such an arrangement.

(6) That nothing in these resolutions be construed as advising the diminution of the society's itineracy work, and that the compensation paid those laboring only part of the year be as heretofore.

(7) That it shall hereafter be the settled policy of the society to encourage and aid all its beneficiary churches to sustain public worship on the Sabbath without any intermission, and to employ to this end the best available agency, whether clerical or lay.

At the annual meeting in Exeter, in 1874, the following resolution was adopted: viz.,

Resolved, That the Trustees be authorized to modify the application of rule third, passed October 24, 1873, when, in their judgment, the good of the Society requires—provided, always, that such modification shall be confined to exceptional cases.

RULES FOR MISSIONARY RETURNS.

Missionaries to transmit their statistical returns to the Secretary annually, by the fifth of August. Those who report quarterly shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasurer. Semi-annual reports shall have semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an annual report on or before the fifth of August, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the society, unless sufficient excuse can be rendered.

In the annual report, definite answers to the following questions are required: namely,

1. What is your stipulated salary?
2. How raised—by tax or subscription?
3. Is it promptly paid?
4. What the average number of your congregation?
5. What the number of hopeful conversions in your congregation?
6. What the number of your church members—resident and non-resident?
7. What additions during the year ending August 1 —by profession? by letter?
8. What the number of baptisms—infant and adult?
9. What the number of removals during the year—by death, dismission, or exclusion?
10. What the number in your Sabbath School?
11. What the amount of contribution to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society?
12. What the amount to all other religious charities?
13. What special encouragement or discouragement in your labors?

[*In replying to these inquiries you need refer only to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.*]

NOTICES.

All communications intended for the Trustees, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the society, may be addressed to Rev. E. H. Greeley, Concord, N. H.

☞*All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the society*, may be made to Hon. Lyman D. Stevens, Concord, N. H.

The Home Missionary, published monthly by the American Home Missionary Society, Bible House, Astor Place, New York, is sent gratuitously to *life members*, *missionaries*, and auxiliary associations of *either society*; to all pastors whose congregation contributes any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors, and to each donor of $10 annually, who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made to the Treasurer, who is agent for the distribution of *The Home Missionary* for New-Hampshire.

☞*All money contributed to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, which is not imperativly needed for the work in the State, is sent to the treasury of the American Home Missionary.*

Money contributed within the State, for the Sunday School department of the work of the American Home Missionary Society may be sent to the Treasurer, at Concord, who will at once forward it to the treasury at New York.

All applications for aid, and returns of missionaries, to be made to the Secretary. The regular meetings of the Executive Committee occur on the third Tuesday of October, January, April and July. *It is earnestly desired that all applications for aid be sent to the Secretary previous to those meetings.*

Missionaries are reminded that reports are expected quarterly, and an annual report, made out up to Aug. 1, as soon as may be after that date. *All* the questions of the blanks are to be *fully* answered. Remittances are not made until full reports are received.

Applications for aid should contain full and careful answers to all the questions proposed, *and should be renewed at the expiration of the time for which the missionary is commissioned, if his further services are desired.* All applications should be promptly made. The Trustees will not feel bound to make appropriations for services rendered before the application is made.

The payment of $30 into its treasury entitles the person named by the donor to become a life member of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, or, if preferred, of the American Home Missionary Society, and, *in either case*, to receive the *Home Missionary.*

Orders on the Treasury to be drawn by the Secretary.

The semi-annual meeting of the Trustees is to be at Concord, Tuesday before the first Wednesday in June.

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I give to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society the sum of dollars, for the purpose of said Society, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Important legacies have been lost to the Society through inattention to its legal name.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Seventy-sixth Annual Meeting of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society was held at the Congregational Church in Great Falls, September 12th, 1877; John Bracewell, Esq., one of the Vice-Presidents, in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. G. I. Bard.

An abstract of the Annual Report of the Truetees was read by the Secretary. A very animated discussion followed, which was participated in by a large number.

The report was accepted and ordered to be printed, as was also the report of the Treasurer, which in his absence, was presented by the Secretary.

On motion, the chair appointed Rev. C. E. Milliken, Rev. F. Alvord and Rev. L. Rogers, a committee to nominate officers. That committee reported the following who were duly elected: viz.,

Rev. SAMUEL C. BARTLETT, D.D., Hanover, *President.*

Hon. J. E. SARGENT, Concord, Dea. J. G. BLUNT, Nashua, and JOHN BRUCEWELL, Esq., Dover, *Vice-Presidents.*

Rev. E. H. GREELEY, Concord, *Secretary.*

Hon. L. D. STEVENS, Concord, *Treasurer.*

Hon. JOHN KIMBALL and GEO. E. JENKS, Esq., Concord, *Auditors.*

Rev. F. D. AYER, Concord, Rev. QUINCY BLAKELY, Campton, and Hon. C. R. MORRISON, Manchester, Trustees for three years.

Voted: That the printing and circulation of the Report and Minutes for next year be referred to the Secretary, with instructions to make them correspond with the printing and circulation of the Report on the State of Religion, and Minutes by the General Association.

Voted: That the next Annual Meeting be held at Concord, at some suitable time during the meetings of the General Association.

Adjourned.

TRUSTEES.

The Trustees of the Society are the following: viz., the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, *ex-officiis.*

Elected in 1877.

Rev. F. D. AYER, Concord.
Rev. QUINCY BLAKELY, Campton.
Hon. C. R. MORRISON, Manchester.

Elected in 1876.

Rev. FREDERIC ALVORD, Nashua.
Rev. GEO. B. SPALDING, Dover.
Hon. R. L. FRENCH, Pittsfield.

Elected in 1875.

Hon. DEXTER RICHARDS, Newport.
Rev. W. R. JEWETT, Concord.
Rev. S. L. BLAKE, Concord.

The Executive Committee for the ensuing year, are:

Rev. WILLIAM R. JEWETT, Concord.
Rev. F. D. AYER, Concord.
Rev. FREDERIC ALVORD, Nashua.
Hon. L. D. STEVENS, Concord.
Rev. E. H. GREELEY, Concord.

THE SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT.

In the year now under revision, this society has aided in the support of forty-five missionaries, who have labored in fifty-three churches and stations. Twenty-six of these missionaries have served in its employ during the entire year. Seven have labored at two or more stations each. The aggregate missionary labor performed amounts to thirty-six and one half years. The number of churches and stations occupied is one more than last year, the number of missionaries employed is six less, and the years of labor performed, four and a half less. Of the churches aided, forty-six report an average congregation of eighty-six, and an average enrolled Sunday School of seventy-six; in both, an increase over last year, and an average considerably above the general average of missionary congregations and Sunday Schools in the country at large. The number of members reported by thirty-five of these churches is 1706, an average of forty-nine each. Of these, 1399, an average of forty to each church, are resident.

The spiritual results, while less cheering than in the two previous years, have yet been more than usually encouraging. Thirty-eight churches, not including Gorham, Berlin and West Stewartstown, where revivals of much promise are now in progress, report one hundred thirty-eight hopeful conversions; and forty-four report eighty-seven additions by profession and forty-six by letter, and a net gain over losses by death, dismission and exclusion, of sixty-six. This is slow progress indeed, fitted to stir deep and anxious questionings, with not much in it to nourish self-satisfaction. Yet it is progress for which we thank God and take courage.

Benevolent contributions reported are $250.91 to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, and $504.96 to other objects—a falling off, as compared with last year, of more than fifty per cent.

A large part of the special religious interest in these churches

has been in connection with the canvass of the Young Men's Christian Association—a canvass which, though less abundant in visible results, than in some previous years, has yet borne much good fruit. The special laborers in the field have all been spared for further service, with the exception of one missionary, Rev. R. P. Wells, who had just completed three years of very earnest and faithful labor with the church at Mason, and one of our trustees, Dea. Almon Harris, long a devoted and faithful friend and officer of the society.*

THE TREASURY.

There has been received into the treasury, during the year, in donations from churches and individuals, $4,273.13; from the New-Hampshire Cent Institution, $2,647.84; from legacies, $22.07; and from permanent fund and miscellaneous sources, $187.44; making a total of $7,130.48. Of this, $322.86 were sent by direction of the donors, to the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society, leaving $6,807.62 for use in the State. In addition to this, $712.22 in donations, and $3,451.00 in legacies, have been sent directly to the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society, making a total for the year for home missions, of $11,293.70. The amount expended in the State is $8,741.69. The donations to the treasury are $609.09 less than last year; the receipts from the Cent Institution are $228.15 more than last year; the legacies are $1,337.30 less; the receipts into the treasury of this society, $1,700.54 less; and the total for the cause in the State, $8.201.10 less than last year.

It will be seen that the falling off is mainly, though not wholly, in legacies. The expenditures, within the State, are $2,187.26 less than last year. But notwithstanding this, the balance of $1,944.34 on hand at the opening of the year, has been exhausted, and there is now a debt upon the society, for current expenses, of $140.73. The significance of this will be

*Since writing the above, the intelligence comes to us of the death of our President, Rev. Asa D. Smith, D.D. We shall sadly miss his counsels, and his words of inspiration and of cheer, as we go on in a work which he loved; and of whose value and importance, he showed a rare appreciation. But there will remain to us, as a benediction, the cherished memory of a noble, Christian manhood; with a life consecrated, with singular unreserve, to the Master's service; a life abundantly helpful and fruitful, well rounded, complete and happy in its end.

seen from the fact that a balance of at least $3,000 is needed, at the commencement of the year, to meet the expenditures, always much larger than the receipts, of its earliest months. If the receipts of the first nine months of the coming year are not much larger than usual, there must be either a very severe retrenchment or a large increase of the debt.

The amount received from the Cent Institution, $228.15 larger than last year, and larger than in any preceding year, with a single exception, is, under the circumstances, especially gratifying, and is highly honorable to the women of our churches. Taking into the account the financial depression of the year, felt by them quite as much as by the other sex, and the amount they have done for the Woman's Board, and in other directions, it shows how warm a place this cause has in their hearts, and how certain they are to stand by it in its hour of need. A cause so sustained is sure to succeed. Whatever of good this Society has accomplished, or shall accomplish, a very large share of the credit will be due to "those women who helped" in its work.

But, on the whole, the condition of our treasury is not satisfactory. It is fitted, in fact, to awaken no little solicitude, and to cause no little embarrassment, as to the true course to be pursued in administering the affairs of the Society. The causes of it are indeed sufficiently obvious. The financial depression of the year, as affecting the people of this State generally, has been severe beyond any recent precedent. The year opened when the members of our churches had just been expending, at a moderate estimate, five times as much as would have sufficed for the needs of our society, in visiting the Centennial Exhibition, in many cases exhausting their available means for this purpose. To this was added the special appeal of the American Board, arising out of its debt and the necessity of providing amid great pecuniary embarrassments for the wants of the coming year.

Special appeals are none the less a very sore, that they may sometimes be a necessary, evil, and they should, as far as possible, be avoided. All experience shows that, instead of materially increasing the amount given in benevolence, they, for the most part, only lead to the borrowing from the amount devoted to one object to give to another, and this case was no exception

to this general rule. Another cause which diminished *our* receipts was the moving appeal of the American Home Missionary Society in behalf of its missionaries, deprived, in the dead of winter, of their scanty stipend, through the deficiency in its treasury; an appeal that, through the columns of the Home Missionary, reached our churches month after month, while we had no means of communicating, except to a very limited extent, the fact that our treasury and our missionaries were even worse off than theirs. In one of the winter months, a considerably larger sum went directly from our State to New York than came into our home treasury, while the wants of no missionaries were more pressing than of ours. Never before have we felt so deeply how much we are losing for want of any means of communicating with our churches through the periodical press. A vigorous, well sustained State paper would inspire our churches with new life. Every religious enterprise would revive under its power.

. Beside these things, there has been an almost total falling off of income from legacies. Instead of $1,500, the average of recent years, upon which we supposed we might safely calculate, barely $22.07 has been received from this source. Then, to crown all, just as the churches seemed about to bestir themselves to meet the emergency that was upon the society, there went abroad the report of a great legacy which was to make the society rich and increased in goods and in need of nothing, and the purses that had begun to open to the appeal of Christ, through these struggling churches and missionaries, were closed again, and those almost persuaded to give, rejoiced that this work was likely to be done without costing them anything. They did not anticipate the entail simply of additional expense, with a great added burden of perplexity and anxiety, to last, perhaps for years, as the only near result of a provision from which so much was anticipated.

But it avails nothing to look mournfully and complainingly into the past. The question before us is, what is now to be done? Upon this question we look for light to the pastors and churches of the State, whose the cause is, and upon whom rests the responsibility for its success or failure. We have cut down appropriations as far, we believe, as any intelligent member of

our churches, knowing the facts, would say it ought to be done; as far as it can safely be done, if we hope to retain our best workers in the State. The average appropriations for the coming year, as far as made, amount to $160—about fifty-four per cent. of the average appropriation to the missionaries of the American Home Missionary Society. It should be borne in mind that retrenchment means, simply, a smaller salary to the missionary. There has been no increase, but rather a very considerable decrease, the last year, in the amount raised by the aided churches for their ministers; so that the salary of these faithful, earnest workers, as the most of them certainly are, has been very materially diminished. We have withdrawn aid in all cases regarded by us as doubtful. If we are driven to further retrenchment we see no other way than to cease to vote appropriations, allowing the effect of such a process to fall where it may. Take out a few cases that are, for one reason or another, specially important, we should hardly know how to discriminate among the rest.

But we are confident that no further retrenchment will be called for; that our churches, informed of its actual needs, will rally to the support of a cause vital, not only to the aided churches, but hardly less so to our stronger churches; every one of which owes a debt, never to be repaid, to the rural districts that have been drained of their best—of their very life blood, that these more favored churches might be strong; a cause second in importance to no other that asks our sympathy and aid. If we care for any thing pertaining to the cause of religion, of good order and of general well-being among us; if we mean, as a body of churches, to have any future; if we do not mean that every fountain of good influence that, flowing abroad from our hills and valleys, might bless the land and the world, shall become dry; if we mean, for even a quarter of a century longer, to have either money or men for a part in the great work of redeeming the world to Christ, we must be watchful, and strengthen the things that remain, that are ready to die. We must take care of our feeble churches as the supreme duty of the hour.

Nor is the burden a heavy one if all will cheerfully bear their

part. If all our churches had done, the last year, as well as one third of them have done, we should have had enough for the wants of our society, and for a generous overflow into the treasury at New York. If even the women of all our churches had done as much as one half of them have done, the society would have been relieved of serious embarrassment. An average of a half dollar each, from the members of our churches, in addition to other sources of income, would suffice for the work in the State and enable us, beside, to lend a helping hand to the work in the West. Is that a tax too great to be borne?

But the emergency calls for the help of all, if we are not to go on in a halting, crippled way, constantly losing opportunities for effective work. And why should not *all* help—*all*, *every one* of our churches, and *every one* in those churches? Why should any be excused, or wish to be excused? Have not all a common interest and a common responsibility? We beg leave, respectfully but earnestly, to recommend:

(1) That, in the coming year, a contribution be taken for this cause in every church in the State.

(2) That pastors keep their people thoroughly informed in regard to this work, and see that its claims are brought clearly and forcibly to the attention of every member of their churches, and of all likely to be interested in it.

(3) That an earnest effort be made to induce all the women, in all our churches, to become members of the Cent Society.

(4) That an earnest effort be made to secure for this cause in every church, at the least, a sum equal to a half dollar for each member of it. In many of our churches much more than that can easily be raised, but any church can do at least so much.

(5) That the attention of those who have money in reserve, which they intend ultimately to devote, by legacy or otherwise, to benevolent purposes, be called to the importance of giving some portion of it in the present emergency, since no emergency more pressing is likely hereafter to arise in the case of this, or of any other of our benevolent societies.

If this is done with system and efficiency, not only will the present embarrassments of the society be relieved, but it will be carried forward to that "consummation most devoutly to be

wished" where it can devote a considerable percentage of its receipts to the work in the West. We want our minds and hearts expanded to take in the whole, grand, home missionary work of the country, in its sublime proportions and its pressing urgency. Every member of our churches needs to have the opportunity to give, not only his sympathies and prayers, but also his alms to the furtherance of this work. If all will unite, giving, each according to his ability, a considerable proportion of every dollar contributed to this society will find its way to the missionary fields of the West, and the donor will have the satisfaction of knowing that he has helped to sustain a feeble church at home, and also to lay the foundations of a new church in that seat of future empire. What we want is not more ability or opportunity, but simply courage and consecration, faith and faithfulness.

The will of the late Mrs. Betsey Whitehouse, of Pembroke, who deceased on the twenty-ninth of March last, has awakened so deep and general interest, and constitutes an event so important in its bearing upon the interests of this society, that we have deemed it proper to quote its provisions, so far as they relate to it. They are as follows:

"Seventh. I give and bequeath to the Home Missionary Society, for the support of feeble churches in the State of New-Hampshire, the sum of sixty thousand dollars.

"Eighth. I give, bequeath and devise all the residue and remainder of my estate, of whatever nature, and wherever situate, both real and personal, to trustees, for the following purposes: viz., that said trustees shall pay the income of such property in equal shares, annually, to my neices and nephews, during their lives, respectively, and upon the decease of my said neices and nephews, or either of them, then such share of said income as had been paid to such neices or nephews, deceased, to be paid to the Home Missionary Society, until the decease of all my said neices and nephews, and thereupon, all of such residue shall be paid to the Home Missionary Society."

This munificent legacy, the largest ever made in this State to any charitable object, wholly unsolicited by us, or, so far as

we can learn, by any one, is doubtless to be traced to the interest which the testator had long felt in this society, an interest first awakened under the inspiration of her former pastor, and our long-time honored President and Secretary, Dr. Burnham, and which was specially manifested in the closing months of her life. It is the fruit of seed long since sown, kept under the watchful eye of an all-wise Providence, and in the fulness of time, we trust, to develop into harvests which shall make glad what else had been the waste places of our beloved State.

The validity of the will is contested by the legal heirs of the estate, and the matter is awaiting the decision of the Courts. It is, of course, impossible to foresee when a final decision will be reached. In the progress of the case, thus far, nothing whatever has been developed even tending to throw any doubt on the fact that these provisions of her will were the result of a deliberate purpose, formed and expressed in the final and authoritative way provided by law, by Mrs. Whitehouse, while in the full possession of her faculties. Whatever result may be reached, it must still stand to her credit that it was in her heart to make this most noble and generous provision for the feeble churches of New-Hampshire; and for this, let her name be held in honorable and grateful remembrance.

In accordance with a vote passed by the last National Council, the American Home Missionary Society has recently assumed, by formal transfer from the Congregational Publishing Society, the Sunday School work, heretofore done by the latter society. It is not strictly a new work which it thus undertakes. It is one for which its missionaries have special facilities, and for which they are specially fitted; and it has always been regarded as an important part of their work. But it is now proposed to make this a separate department, and to carry it on on a much larger scale than heretofore. It is a part of the great missionary work of the country, which cannot fail to enlist the special interest of the Sunday Schools already established; and it is hoped and expected that they will adopt it as their own, and furnish the means for carrying it on. We trust that the Sunday Schools of this State will not be behind in engaging in this noble work,

but that every school will be ready to bear a generous part. Some have responded already to its appeal—the first fruits, it is to be hoped, of an annual offering from all. Contributions for this object sent to our treasury, at Concord, will be at once forwarded to New York, and duly acknowledged in the Home Missionary.

With a treasury exhausted, with special embarrassments to contend with in the immediate future, with demands increasing and to increase, partly from the same causes which have diminished our revenues, partly from an unusual demand on the part of the people at large for the gospel, and partly from the nature of the case in a State the flower of whose youth are still drawn away to the new settlements of the growing West, it is with unusual interest and solicitude that we commend anew this society to the fostering care of our churches. It is a most sacred and important trust; none more so—is there another so much so? —committed to our keeping. The thorough evangelization of our whole country is the supreme obligation which now rests upon the Christians of America. No other work of equal importance and responsibility demands their attention. As a part of this grand enterprise, as well as on its own account, the work in New-Hampshire makes the very strongest possible appeal to our Christian sympathy, fidelity and consecration. If, as patriots and as Christians, we would be faithful to any trust, we must stand by this cause. We must see that this work is well and faithfully done. Our State, and our whole country, from sea to sea, must be claimed and held for Jesus Christ; and, in the mighty struggle which it is to cost to do this, He expects every follower of His to do his duty. To have faltered in such a work, will not the memory of a delinquency so disgraceful cause us to stand apart and ashamed, when the "well done," of the Master is falling upon the ear of the good and faithful servant?

For the Trustees:

E. H. Greeley, *Secretary.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES AND STATIONS.	MISSIONARIES.	Date of Commission.	Months of Commission.	Amount of Appropriation.	Months of Labor Performed.	No. of Hopeful Conversions.	Added.		Removals.			Resident Members.	Non-Resident Members.	Total Membership.	Average Congregation.	No. in Sabbath School.	Contributions.	
							By Profession.	By Letter.	By Dismission.	By Death.	By Exclusion.						N. H. Miss. Society.	Other Objects.
1. Alstead, Center,	G. B. Richardson,	Apr. 1,	1877	12	$150.00	12	1	1	1	4	0	0	41	6	47	70	60	$10.00	$20.00
2. Alstead, East,							2	0	0	1	0	0	37	27	84	90	80	4.00	40.00
3. Alstead, P. M. Vill.,	G. F. Chapin,	Apr. 1,	1877	12	150.00	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	3	40	110	100	15.85	69.30
4. Langdon,							2	2	0	1	0	0	32	7	39	85	50	12.22	13.50
5. Alton,	L. S. Coan,	Jan. 17,	1877	12	200.00	12	5	0	0	0	2	0	28	7	47	100	100	7.75	.....
6. Andover,	H. Moody,	Jan. 1,	1877	12	200.00	12	.....	0	0	1	0	0	28	3	28	70	50	30.00	42.78
7. Auburn,	C. E. Houghton,	May 20,	1877	12	150.00	12	0	1	0	1	2	0	37	12	49	80	60	0.00	0.00
8. Barnstead,	W. O. Carr,	Oct. 1,	1876	12	150.00	12	5	3	1	1	2	0	37	6	43	95	110	0.00	0.00
9. Berlin,*	A. J. Benedict,	June 1,	1877	12	200.00	12	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	90	10.00	6.00
10. Gorham,							8	0	2	0	0	0	24	1	25	100	85	25.00	14.00
11. Brentwood.	W. C. Jackson,	Apr. 1,	1877	12	150.00	12	0	0	0	2	2	0	28	8	36	45	.....	.....	.....
12. Center Harbor,	J. S. Gay,	Oct. 11,	1876	6	125.00	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	.....	.....	.....	70	90	0.00	0.00
13. Charlestown,	E. J. Alden, Geo. H. Dunlap,	Oct. 1, June 10,	1876 1877	12 12	200.00 200.00	3 2	0	0	0	0	1	0	27	.....	.....	100	65	0.00	0.00
14. Chatham,	J. H. Leavitt,	June 1,	1876	12	100.00	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
15. Dalton,	A. E. Hall,	Apr. 1,	1877	12	150.00	12	3	0	1	.....	.....	.....	39	8	47	90	107	12.00	12.00
16. Danbury,	Geo. Smith, S. F. Lougee,	Apr. 1, Apr. 1,	1876 1877	12 12	175.00 100.00	8 4	..	0	0	.....	.....	.....	60	10	70	100	100	17.98	0.00
17. Enfield,							3	0	1	1	3	0	37	.....	.....	100	40	16.00	5.00
18. Enfield Center,*	F. Parker,	July 1,	1876	12	250.00	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	.....	.....	125	60	0.00	0.00
19. Enfield, East,							0	0	0	0	0	0	12	.....	.....	60	0	0.00	0.00
20. Franconia,	G. A. Beckwith,	Apr. 1,	1877	12	150.00	10	7	4	5	1	0	0	18	.....	.....	85	40	.....	7.00
21. Gilmanton Iron Works,	Geo. Rogers,	July 1,	1876	12	100.00	9	.....	0	0	1	0	0	38	.....	.....	100	75	.....	20.00
22. Goff's Falls,*	W. M. Gay,	June 1,	1876	12	100.00	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	30	.....	.....
23. Goshen,	H. W. L. Thurston,	May 5,	1876	12	200.00	9	2	3	0	1	3	0	23	1	24	100	100	5.00	.....
24. Groton, North,	F. W. Ernst,	May 15,	1877	4	50.00	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	16	8	24	75	60	0.00	0.00
25. Hanover Center,	Geo. Smith,	Apr. 1,	1877	12	100.00	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	79	27	106	90	80	15.72	.....
26. Harrisville,	H. W. L. Thurston,	May 1,	1877	12	150.00	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	51	20	71	104	100	0.00	0.00

27. Hebron,	J. B. Cook,	June 14,	1876	12	125.00	10	2	2	6	0	0		16	3	19	60	....	3.50	6.00
28. Kensington,	F. D. Chandler,	Apr. 25,	1877	12	250.00	12		0	0		0	0	51	5	56	125	90	.....	29.50
29. Kingston,	J. Chapman,	May 1,	1877	12	75.00	12			0	2	0		42	9	51	92	120	25.00	103.00
30. Lempster,	J. LeBosquet,	May 1,	1877	12	160.00	12			0		0		42	11	53	50	40	16.00	4.00
31. Loudon,	D. S. Hibbard,	May 9,	1876	12	150.00	3		0	0				....	....	....	60	40	.....	.....
32. Lyndeborough,	L. Harlow,	July 16,	1877	12	150.00	12	25	13	10	2	0		78	8	86	105	110	10.70	7.00
33. Mason,	R. P. Wells,	Feb. 1,	1876	12	175.00			4		2	0		87	17	104	85	100	.....	.....
34. Monroe,	J. L. Litch,	June 1,	1876	12	75.00	10			0	0			37	2	37	70		0.00	0.00
35. Nelson,	M. Gould,	Jan. 1,	1876	12	150.00			6	2		4		80	11	91	80	120	.....	45.88
36. Newcastle,	B. F. Grant,	Nov. 1,	1876	12	150.00	12							42	16	58	128	80	.....	.....
37. Newington,	W. A. Hadley,	May 1,	1877	12	150.00	12	12		0	0	2		24	4	28	40		.....	.....
38. Northwood,	G. F. Wright,	July 1,	1876	12	125.00	11		0	2	2	1	0	75	23	98	93	90	13.08	.....
39. Ossipee Center,	E. P. Eastman,	Jan. 1,	1877	12	150.00	12	40	16	4	2	1	0	55	23	78	110	85	5.00	11.00
40. Ossipee Corner,*								....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	60	0	3.00	5.00
41. Effingham,								0	0	0		0	10	0	10	75	35	5.00	.....
42. Roxbury,	W. B. Ely,	May 13,	1877	12	50.00			7	0	0		0	21	8	29	45	....	.....	.....
43. Salem,	Sam'l Bowker,	Jan. 1,	1877	12	100.00	12		3	4	2		0	59	3	62	85	90	10.00	40.00
44. Sandwich,	C. L. Tappan,	Jan. 1,	1877	4	50.00			0	0	0		0	43	6	49	60	50	.....	.....
45. Stewartstown, West,	W. S. Bugbey,	July 1,	1877	12	200.00	12		0	0	1		0	39	0	39	90	85	.....	.....
46. Seabrook, South,	W. A. Rand,	Aug. 1,	1876	12	300.00	12	15	0	0	0		0	19	1	20	100	100	0.00	0.00
47. Stoddard,	H. H. Colburn,	Apr. 5,	1877	12	200.00	12			1	0	0	0	34	16	50	80		.....	.....
48. Washington,								0	0	1	0	0	13	9	22	55		.....	.....
49. Weare, South,	A. B. Palmer,	May 1,	1877	12	150.00	12		9	2	0		0	39	0	39	110	110	12.00	.....
50. Deering,								0	0	0		0	18	5	23	60	60	0.00	0.00
51. Wentworth,	G. J. Pierce,	May 1,	1877	12	200.00	12	0	0	0	0	0	4	46	7	53	112	70	25.00	30.00
52. Wilmot,	C. B. Tracy,	Jan. 1,	1876	12	150.00			....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....
53. Wolfboro' North,	T. M. Findley,	May 1,	1877	4	50.00	4		0	0	0	....	....	....	....	22	100	....	.....	.....

*No church.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1876-7

L. D. STEVENS, *Treasurer, in account with*
THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

	DR.
To balance from last year's account,	$1,944.34
Donations from churches and individuals,	3,950.27
Donations from New-Hampshire Cent Institution,	2,647.84
Legacies,	22.07
Donations for American Home Missionary Society,	322.86
Income from Permanent Fund,	153.45
Receipts from miscellaneous sources,	1,233.99
	$10,273.82
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By amount paid feeble churches and Missionaries,	$6,746.95
" " American Home Missionary Society,	322.86
" " Secretary, as salary,	1,500.00
" " Secretary for traveling expenses,	181.16
" " Treasurer, as salary,	150.00
" " Treasurer, for postage, expressage, stationery &c., for N. H. M. S., and N. H. Cent Institution,	36.71
" " Treasuress of N. H. Cent Institution, as salary,	30.00
" " R. W. Musgrove, for printing Annual Reports,	111.72
" " " " " " Cent Reports,	72.00
" " E. H. Greeley, for printing Circulars,	8.55
" " Loan and Trust Savings Bank, interest on a loan of $1,200.00, maturing Feb. 4, 1878,	54.60
Balance carried to next year's account,	1,059.27
	$10,273.82

This certifies that we have examined the account of Hon. Lyman D. Stevens, Treasurer of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, and find the same correct, leaving a balance in his hands of ten hundred and fifty-nine dollars, twenty-seven cents. ($1,059.27.)

GEO. E. JENKS,
FRANK P. ANDREWS,
FOR JOHN KIMBALL,
Auditors.

RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS.

Atkinson—Congregational Church and Society,..... $13.55
Acworth—Congregational Church and Society, $12.00; the Ladies' Missionary Society, in full to constitute Rev. James Marshall life member., $15.00, ... 27.00
Amherst—Congregational Church and Society,..... 58.10
Alstead Center—Congregational Church and Society, ... 10.00
Alstead—Congregational Church and Society, ... 15.85
Andover—Congregational Church and Society, ... 23.24
Antrim—Presbyterian Church and Society,..... 12.00
Bennington—Congregational Church and Society,..... 25.00
Bristol—Congregational Church and Society, $47.99; for A. H. M. S., $4.48,..... 52.47
Boscawen—Congregational Church and Society, $12.20; Mrs. Cogswell, $2.00,... 14.20
Chatham—Congregational Church and Society, ... 3.00
Colebrook—Congregational Church and Society,..... 21.50
Concord—A friend, for A. H. M. S., $60.00; a friend, for A. H. M. S., $40.00,.... 100.00
Concord—South Congregational Church and Society, $93.55; to constitute Will. F. Thayer, Chas. G. Remick and Wendell P. Marden life members, $94.12, ... 187.67
Candia—Congregational Church and Society, ... 33.65
Concord—North Congregational Church and Society, for A. to constitute Elizabeth C. Hall, Daniel K. Abbott and Levi Wood life members, $113.71; Rev. N. Bouton, for A. H. M. S., $2.00, ... 117.71
Claremont—Congregational Church and Society, $60.51; Miss Eliza Deming, $5.00; Miss Fannie Dow, $1.00; Congregational Sabbath School, by E. L. Goddard, Esq., for S. S. work of A. H. M. S., $25.00; a lady, $10.00, ... 101.51
Campton—Congregational Church and Society, ... 11.18
Concord, West—Congregational Church and Society,..... 14.39
Cornish—Congregational Church and Society, in full to constitute Wm. Spaulding life member,..... 19.35
Chester—Congregational Church and Society, ... 20.00
Dover—1st Congregational Church and Society,..... 103.30
Dalton—Congregational Church and Society,..... 12.00
Danbury—Congregational Church and Society..... 17.98
Derry—1st Congregational Church and Society,..... 20.75
Deerfield—Congregational Church and Society,..... 14.30
East Derry—1st Congregational Church and Society,..... 53.00
East Kingston—Legacy of Sarah Sanborn,..... 12.07
Exeter—2d Congregational Church and Society, $84.07; Prof. A. C. Perkin's Bible Class, $10.25; Mr. Dana C. Barker's Bible Class, $3.00; Miss A. E. Chadwick, for A. H. M. S., $10.00; W. P., for A. H. M. S., $10.00, ... 117.32

Epping—Congregational Church and Society,..... $29.60
Farmington—Congregational Church and Society, ... 31.30
Fitzwilliam—Congregational Church and Society,..... 20.00
Franklin—Congregational Church and Society, ... 45.00
Great Falls—1st. Congregational Church and Society,..... 89.30
Goffstown—Congregational Church and Society, $31.58; Sabbath School, $10.00.. 41.58
Goff's Falls—Congregational Church and Society,..... 9.05
Gilsum—Congregational Church and Society, $40.50; Rev. Silvanus Hayward, $5.00,..... 45.50
Gorham and Berlin—Congregational Church and Society,..... 25.00
Greenland—Congregational Church and Society, ... 31.20
Gilmanton—Congregational Church and Society,..... 6.00
Hampton—Congregational Church and Society, ... 14.20
Haverhill—Congregational Church and Society,..... 40.81
Hopkinton—Congregational Church and Society,..... 22.50
Hillsboro' Bridge—Congregational Church and Society, for A. H. M. S.,..... 7.00
Hanover—Congregational Church and Society,..... 145.88
Hancock—Congregational Church and Society,..... 5.00
Hollis—Congregational Church and Society, ... 46.70
Hampstead—Congregational Church and Society, $15.00; a few friends, for A. H. M. S., $4.00,..... 19.00
Hinsdale—Congregational Church and Society,..... 12.60
Hebron—Congregational Church and Society, ... 3.00
Henniker—Congregational Church and Society, $20.00; for A. H. M. S., $50.00, 70.00
Keene—2d Congregational Church and Society, $59.16; 1st Congregational Church and Society, $151.86,..... 211.02
Kingston—Rev. Jacob Chapman,..... 5.00
Loudon—Congregational Church and Society,..... 2.50
Lancaster—Congregational Church and Society,..... 48.08
Laconia—Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Ralph M. Merrill, life member of A. H. M. S.,..... 31.50
Lyme—Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Thomas J. Emmons life member of A. H. M. S.,..... 66.53
Langdon—Congregational Church and Society,..... 12.22
Lyndeboro'—Congregational Church and Society,..... 10.70
Lebanon—Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Dea. E. F. Emerson life member of A. H. M. S.,..... 31.00
Littleton—Congregational Church and Society, ... 33.37
Lempster—Congregational Church and Society,..... 7.50
Merrimack—Reuben Pratt, ... 2.00
Mason—Congregational Church and Society,..... 15.00
Manchester—C. B. Southworth, Esq.,..... 20.00
Manchester—1st Congregational Church and Society, $85.64; for A. H. M. S., $85.14,..... 170.78
Manchester—Franklin St. Congregational Church and Society,..... 234.80
Meriden—Congregational Church and Society, ... 26.50
Mont Vernon—Congregational Church and Society. $48.00; for A. H. M. S., $5.00, 53.00
Meredith—Mrs. N. H. Dodge, ... 2.00
Marlboro'—Congregational Church and Society,..... 12.50
Newington—1st Congregational Church and Society,..... 11.00
Nashua—1st Congregational Church and Society,..... 288.82
New Boston—Presbyterian Church and Society,..... 18.75
New Ipswich—Congregational Church and Society, $16.85; from the children, proceeds of an annual Fair for benevolent objects, $8.00; for the Sabbath School work of A. H. M. S., $5.00,..... 29.85

Newport—Congregational Church and Society,	$46.74
Newcastle—Mrs. Ann G. B. Cooper (deceased),	2.25
North Hampton—Congregational Church and Society,	44.10
Northwood—Congregational Church and Society,	5.35
Portsmouth—North Congregational Church and Society, $170.00; estate of Abby K. Wentworth, of Conway, annual instalment, $10.00,	180.00
Pembroke—Congregational Church and Society, $28.78; an aged lady, $1.00; Lydia Knox, $1.00,	30.78
Plymouth—Congregational Church and Society,	41.59
Pittsfield—Congregational Church and Society,	18.10
Pelham—Congregational Church and Society. $56.25; Mrs. H. C. Wyman, for A. H. M. S., $10.00,	66.25
Plaistow—Congregational Church and Society, and in No. Parish, Haverhill, Mass., to constitute Wm. Hazeltine, Joseph Kimball and Saul P. Foote life members of A. H. M. S.,	117.00
Piermont—Mrs. E. Rogers,	1.00
Raymond—Hayden Higley,	7.50
Rindge—Congregational Church and Society,	31.71
Rochester—Congregational Church and Society,	32.80
Roxbury—Congregational Church and Society,	6.57
Salisbury—Congregational Church and Society	5.00
Sanbornton—Congregational Church and Society,	20.00
Stratham—Congregational Church and Society, $23.26; for Sabbath School work of A. H. M. S., $5.24,	28.50
Tilton—Congregational Church and Society,	50.00
Temple—Rev. Wm. L. S. Clark,	5.00
Wilmot—Congregational Church and Society,	5.60
Webster—Congregational Church and Society, $26.68; Mrs. Buxton, $2.00,	28.68
Westmoreland—Congregational Church and Society, in part to constitute Edwin Sanderson life member, $20.00; in full to constitute Oliver J. Butterfield life member, $25.00,	45.00
Winchester—Congregational Church and Society, $5.57; to constitute Wm. Hartwell life member of A. H. M. S., and in part to constitute Miss Grace Coxeter life member of A. H. M. S., $51.84,	57.41
West Lebanon—Congregational Church and Society,	18.04
Wolfeboro'—1st Congregational Church and Society,	25.00
Walpole—1st Congregational Church and Society,	38.60

MISCELLANEOUS CONTRIBUTIONS.

Rockingham County Conference of Churches,	$22.71
Sullivan County Conference of Churches,	8.10

LIFE MEMBERS OF A. H. M. S. IN 1877.

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LIFE MEMBERS OF N. H. M. S. IN 1877.

Acworth—Rev. James Marshall.
Concord—William F. Thayer.
" Charles G. Remick.
" Wendell P. Marden.
" Daniel K. Abbott.
" Levi Wood.
" Elizabeth W. C. Hall.
Cornish—William Spaulding.
Westmoreland—Oliver J. Butterfield.
Winchester—William Hartwell.

TABLE

Showing the places where the Anniversaries of the Society have been held, including the Place of its organization, in 1801, *and the whole amount raised in the State for Home Missions each year.*

YEARS. PLACES.	AMOUNT.
1801—Hopkinton,	$51.63
1802—Concord,	386.62
1803—Concord,	309.46
1804—Concord,	406.09
1805—Hopkinton,	602.84
1806—Hopkinton,	611.49
1807—Hopkinton,	600.66
1808—Concord,	1,290.48
1809—Concord,	735.92
1810—Concord,	1,288.27
1811—Dunbarton,	953.92
1812—Hollis,	1,520.58
1813—Plymouth,	932.27
1814—Hanover,	2,638.90
1815—Keene,	2,807.98
1816—Concord,	2,633.36
1817—Exeter	2,395.05
1818—Dover,	2,427.10
1819—Haverhill,	2,537.21
1820—Portsmouth,	1,712.56
1821—New-Ipswich,	1,851.07
1822—Pembroke,	1,755.18
1823—Acworth,	1,846.20
1824—Londonderry (Derry),	2,637.44
1825—Lyme,	1,869.09
1826—Durham,	1,872.07
1827—Rindge,	3,263.65
1828—Salisbury,	1,951.83
1829—Newport,	2,416.71
1830—Portsmouth,	2,479.86
1831—Concord,	2,371.34
1832—Amherst,	5,820.75
1833—Keene,	5,067.66
1834—Meredith Bridge,	4,843.24

YEARS. PLACES.	AMOUNT.
1835—Plymouth,	$7,795.24
1836—Exeter,	4.942.02
1837—Claremont,	5,506.14
1838—New Ipswich,	5,396.81
1839—Lyme,	4,616.37
1840—Hampton,	4,596.83
1841—Francestown,	5,187.03
1842—Dover,	5,361.11
1843—Nashua,	5,730.36
1844—Concord, South Church,	7,582.66
1845—Portsmouth,	5,365.19
1846—Newport,	9,027.15
1847—Meredith Bridge (Laconia),	6,050.51
1848—Manchester, 1st Church,	7,720.75
1849—Plymouth,	7,010.12
1850—Great Falls,	7,368.54
1851—Acworth,	9,948.47
1852—Pittsfield	7,896.50
1853—Littleton,	10,461.21
1854—Derry,	8,417.53
1855—Concord, First Church,	7,992.34
1856—Exeter, First Church,	6,690.47
1857—Keene	8,148.55
1858—Hampton,	6,732.26
1859—Boscawen,	8,076.99
1860—Claremont,	7,258.60
1861—Portsmouth,	8,148.68
1862—Concord, South,	7,182.49
1863—Haverhill,	8,606.57
1864—Manchester,	7,556.61
1865—Newport,	8,589.13
1866—Dover	20,064.51
1867—Nashua,	12,068.17
1868—Concord, North Church,	11,810.04
1869—Keene,	22,932.54
1870—Milford,	9,598.92
1871—Rochester,	14,600.79
1872—Bristol,	11,962.15
1873—Laconia,	11,825.23
1874—Exeter	17,326.70
1875—Claremont,	11,345.18
1876—Littleton,	19,492.80
1877—Great Falls,	11,293.70
Total amount raised in seventy-six years,	**$457,802.61**

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CONFERENCES.

Names.	Clerk, Statistical Scribe and Treasurer.	Time Meeting June, 1879.	Place of Meeting, 1879.	Assessment.	
				General Asso. $275.	Nation'l Council. $211.33
Cheshire.	Rev. F. G. Clark, C. & S. S. George Kingsbury, T.	2dWedn's'y.	2d Ch. Keene.	$36.00	$27.26
Coos,	Rev. C. E. Milliken.	1st Tuesday.	Bethlehem.	9.00	6.89
Grafton,	Rev. Q. Blakely, S. S. Dea. Isaac Willard, C. & T.	2d Tuesday.	Campton.	28.00	20.71
Hillsboro',	Rev. W. H. Woodwell, S. S. Dea. F. B. Eaton, C. & T.	2d Tuesday.	1st Ch. Manchester.	76.00	57.17
Merrimack,	Rev. J. W. Colwell.	2d Tuesday.	Pembroke.	38.00	28.32
Rock'gham,	Rev. A. B. Peabody.	2d Tuesday.	Derry.	42.00	36.17
Strafford,	Rev. S. G. Norcross.	3d Tuesday.	No. Conway.	32.00	24.41
Sullivan,	Rev. L. Rodgers.	1st Tuesday.	Claremont.	14.00	10.40

CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

I. NAME. This body shall be called the GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

II. MEMBERS. This Association shall be composed of delegates from the several District Associations of Ministers, and Conferences of Churches, in the following proportions: namely, one minister for every three members of an Association, and one layman for every three churches belonging to a Conference; and also of the officers, preachers and committees for the year for which they are chosen, the delegates who the preceding year fulfilled their appointments in person, the persons appointed to prepare essays and lead in discussions, the Secretaries and Treasurers of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, the New-Hampshire Bible Society, the New-Hampshire Education Society, and the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund, a representation of the Faculty of Dartmouth College, and the minister of the church with which the Association meets. Twelve members shall constitute a quorum. All other ministers and members of the churches connected with the Association, who may be present, shall be considered as corresponding members, with the right to speak and serve on committees, but not to vote.

III. FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES. 1. It is ever to be understood that the system of Scripture doctrine contained in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism is the basis of our union in this Association. Hence every Association and every Conference in this State, receiving these doctrines as the Christian Faith, is invited to unite in this body.

2. This General Association wholly disclaims ecclesiastical power or authority over the churches, or the opinions of individuals.

3. The essential objects of the Association are "to promote brotherly intercourse and harmony, and our mutual animation, assistance and usefulness as ministers and churches of Christ; to obtain religious information relative to the state of our particular churches, and the general state of the Christian church in this country and throughout the world; and to co-operate with other similar institutions in the most eligible measures for building up the cause of truth and holiness."

IV. MEETING AND ORGANIZATION. 1. This Association shall meet annually, on the Tuesday after the second Sabbath of September, at seven oclock P.M., iu such place as shall be designated at the preceding meeting, and notified by the Secretary, and be opened with a sermon.

2. At the close of this service the preacher shall take the chair, and preside until a Moderator is chosen. The Secretary shall receive the certificates of delegates, and report the names of members; when the Association shall be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an Assistant Scribe, by ballot.

V. PERMANENT OFFICERS AND STATISTICS. 1. The permanent officers of this Association shall be a Secretary and Statistical Secretary, each to be chosen by ballot for the term of three years from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made.

2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of this body, prepare an outline of business, preserve schedules and narratives of the state of religion, conduct the correspondence of this body, and notify all delegates to foreign bodies of their appointment, with the time and places of meeting of bodies to which they are appointed.

3. It shall be the duty of the Statistical Secretary to procure the statistics of the churches, and narratives of the state of religion, through the Statistical Scribes of the several Conferences, complete and arrange them for publication, and prepare from these several reports a narrative of the state of religion, to be read before the Association and published in the minutes. He shall superintend their printing, and be a member of the Publishing Committee. The Statistical Secretary shall be the Treasurer of the Association, and be empowered to receive and pay out such sums of money as the body may direct.

4. These Secretaries shall be allowed their expenses for correspondence and attendance on the meetings of this body.

5. Each Conference connected with this body is requested to appoint a Statistical Scribe, to collect the statistics of the churches within its bounds, in methods designated by this body, and under the direction of the Statistical Secretary of the General Association. In case any Conference shall fail to appoint such a scribe prior to the first day of May, the Statistical Secretary may designate some person to act in this capacity for the year.

6. The statistical returns, with respect to the number in the churches, shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers at the end of the statistical year, which shall commence with the first of January.

VI. VACANCIES. In case of the decease of either one of the permanent officers, or his removal from the State, the duties of his office shall devolve upon his associate.

VII. COMMITTEES. 1. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, of which the minister of the church with which the Association is to meet shall be chairman, shall be appointed for the succeeding meeting, who shall prepare and arrange the business of the session, including the selection of the preacher of the opening sermon; and no business shall be introduced without their consent. But if the committee shall decline presenting any item of business requested by a member, he may appeal from their decision to the Association.

2. At each meeting shall be chosen a Committee of Inquiry, consisting of three, to report during the session, whose duties shall be as follows:

(*a*) To designate three questions of religious doctrine or practice, one of which shall relate to the interests of Sabbath Schools, for the consideration of the Association, and to nominate three persons, with substitutes, to lead the discussion on each of these topics, who shall carefully prepare themselves for this duty, and shall be allowed ten minutes each; to be followed by a general discussion, speakers limited to five minutes each.

(*b*) To designate some topic, respecting ecclesiastical polity and

usage, or missionary and educational enterprises, and to nominate one person, with substistute, to prepare a carefully written essay, not to exceed twenty minutes, to be subject to the subsequent remark of the Association.

3. There shall also be a standing Committee of Nominations, consisting of three persons, so constituted that one member shall go out each year in rotation, whose duty it shall be to make all nominations not otherwise provided for. This committee shall elect a chairman, who shall keep a record of all appointments made by the Association.

4. The Scribe of the Association and the Statistical Secretary, and such other persons as they may select, shall be a committee of publication. They shall revise and publish such extracts of the minutes as they may deem proper, and order such number of copies printed as the Association shall direct. The Statistical Secretary shall send a copy of the minutes to each minister and each church connected with this Association, and copies to other ecclesiastical bodies, in numbers as shall be mutually agreed upon.

VIII. ORDER AND RULES OF PROCEEDINGS. *Tuesday*, 7 P.M. Opening sermon, to be followed by organization, choice of committees and business of the Association.

Wednesday, A.M. Business of the Association.

9 1-2 A.M. Reading of essay and discussion thereon.

10 1-2 A.M. Brief reports of delegates to foreign bodies, after which, shall be a presentation of benevelent causes; only three of which, in addition to the State Auxiliaries, shall be presented at any meeting. No cause shall be presented oftener than once in two years; and the order of rotation shall be: 1st year, American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions; Congregational Publishing Society; Congregational Union. 2nd year, American Missionary Association; Tract Society; Seaman's Friend Society.

2 P.M. Business of the Association.

2 1-2 P.M. Narrative of the State of religion, with additional statements respecting revivals, and other facts of interest.

4. P.M. Discussion of question relating to Sabbath Schools, or a Children's Meeting.

7 P.M. Minister's and Widow's Charitable Fund.

7 1-2 P.M. Anniversary of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society.

Thursday, 9 A.M. Business of the Association.

9 1-2 A.M. Presentation of the religious condition of Dartmouth College.

10 1-2 A.M. Discussion of question.

2 P.M. The Association will attend religious services, in which a sermon shall be delivered by a minister previously appointed, and our Lord's death commemorated in the sacrament of the supper.

All sessions shall be interspersed with devotional exercises, with a morning prayer-meeting each day, at such time as the Committee of Arrangements shall deem best.

IX. RULES. 1. At the hour of meeting in the morning, the Moderator shall take the chair, call the members to order, direct the roll to be called, open the session with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read. Each session shall be closed with prayer or singing.

2. No motion shall be discussed unless seconded. No member shall speak more than twice on the same motion, without liberty from the Association. Any motion or resolution shall, at the request of the Moderator or any two members, be reduced to writing.

3. The Moderator may speak on points of order, in preference to other members; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he shall not speak on the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and calling some one to preside while he speaks.

4. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question—namely, Shall the main question now be put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate and bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a committee, if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

5. If a question under debate contains several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

6. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair and shall be subject to no needless interruption. If he acts disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of the other members to call him to order.

7. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting without the consent of the Moderator.

X. CORRESPONDENCE. 1. The Association will maintain a fraternal relation with other ecclesiastical bodies, so far as this shall be deemed consistent with the principles of our organization, by the appointment and interchange of delegates. Representatives from ecclesiastical bodies with whom we are in correspondence shall have the privilege of sitting with us, and participating in our deliberations as honorary members.

2. The Secretary may also, in special cases, at his discretion, give credentials to any member of this body, entitling him to act as its representative at the meeting of similar bodies in other States.

XI. EXPENSES. The cost of printing the minutes, and other necessary expenses of this Association, shall be defrayed by assessments, apportioned among the several Conferences uniting in this organization, according to the number and relative strength of the churches belonging to each, and the Treasurer of each Conference shall be responsible to the Treasurer of the General Association for the amount so assessed.

XII. AMENDMENTS. Any of the foregoing articles, except the fundamental rules, may be amended or annulled at a regular meeting of this body in which two thirds of the Associations and Conferences are represented, bv a majority of the members voting.

MINUTES.

The General Association of New-Hampshire met, for its sixty-ninth annual meeting, at Concord, in the South Congregational Church, Tuesday, Sept. 10th, at 7 o'clock P. M.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Ephraim E. P. Abbott, of Newport. Text, 1 Tim. III: 16. "And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory." Subject—Life in Christ.

After the sermon the Association was called to order by the preacher.

The following persons were enrolled as members:

DELEGATES FROM DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

Belknap—Rev. George I. Bard, Rev. Quincy Blakely, Rev. Joseph Blake, D.D., Rev. Moses T. Runnels, Rev. George H. Scott.

Derry—Rev. Charles T. Melvin, Rev. Charles Packard, Rev. Jesse Page, Rev. Edward G. Selden, Rev. Charles Tenney.

Hollis—Rev. Jeremiah K. Aldrich, Rev. Wm. Clark, D.D., Rev. Josiah G. Davis, D.D., Rev. George F. Merriam, Rev. Frank D. Sargent, Rev. Bela N. Seymour.

Merrimack—Rev. Abraham Burnham, Rev. Jonathan B. Cook, Rev. Albert W. Fiske, Rev. Daniel McClenning, Rev. Howard Moody, Rev. Clarendon A. Stone, Rev. Edward P. Stone.

Monadnock—Rev. George F. Chapin, Rev. Henry H. Colburn, Rev. Elijah Harmon, Rev. Silvanus Hayward, Rev. John L. Merrill, Rev. Henry W. L. Thurston.

Orange—Rev. Augustus L. Marden, Rev. Theodore C. Pratt.

Piscataqua—Rev. Jacob Chapman, Rev. Alex. C. Childs, Rev. George W. Christie, Rev. Abram J. Quick, Rev. William A. Rand, Rev. George B. Spalding, D.D., Rev. Josiah Stearns, Rev. George E. Street, Rev. Isaac C. White.

Sullivan—Rev. James T. Jackson, Rev. Charles M. Palmer, Rev. Levi Rodgers.

Union—Rev. Harry Brickett, Rev. James Holmes.

White River—Rev. John M. Dutton, Rev. Samuel P. Leeds, D.D., Rev. Alonzo B. Rich, D.D.

DELEGATES FROM CONFERENCES.

Grafton—Dea. George E. Colburn, Groton; Horace French, West Lebanon; Thomas S. Pulsifer, Campton; Phineas O. Spaulding, Haverhill; William Thornton, Plymouth; David E. Willard, Orford.

Hillsboro'—Dea. Andrew A. Farnsworth, Peterboro'; Joseph A. Hall, Brookline; Dea. Horace Pettee, Manchester.

Merrimack—Timothy Carter, West Concord; Silas G. Chase, Concord; Asa B. Closson, Franklin; Reuben L. French, Pittsfield; Dea. Charles W. Harvey, Concord.

Rockingham—Dea. George W. Barker, ————; Frank R. Drake, North Hampton; Thomas J. Melvin, Chester; John C. Hanson, South Newmarket; John N. Thompson, Stratham.

Strafford—Mrs. Josephine Blair, Laconia; Dea. Charles F. Parker, Wolfeboro'.

Sullivan—Albert E. Wellman, Cornish.

Dartmouth College—Rev. Samuel C. Bartlett, D.D.

MEMBERS EX-OFFICIO.

Secretary—Rev. Franklin D. Ayer.

Statistical Secretary—Rev. Samuel L. Gerould.

Secretary New-Hampshire Missionary Society—Rev. Edward H. Greeley.

Secretary New-Hampshire Bible Society—Dea. William G. Brown, Campton.

Secretary Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund—Dea. Asa McFarland, Concord.

Committee of Arrangements—Rev. Charles E. Harrington, Dea. William H. Allison.

Committee of Nominations—Rev. Albert B. Peabody, Rev. Frank G. Clark.

Auditor—Hon. Lyman D. Stevens, Concord.

Preachers—Rev. Ephraim E. P. Abbott, Rev. Thomas V. Haines.

Essayist—Rev. John L. Bittinger.

Leaders in Discussion—Rev. John Bragdon, Rev. James W. Hubbell.

The Association was organized by the choice of Rev. Frank G. Clark as Moderator; Rev. George F. Chapin as Scribe, and Rev. Charles M. Palmer as Assistant Scribe.

Rev. Ephraim E. P. Abbott was chosen a member of the Committee of Nominations, to serve three years.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

8 *o'clock.* Prayer-meeting conducted by Rev. Geo. F. Chapin.

9 *o'clock.* Prayer by Rev. George F. Merriam. Minutes read by the Scribe.

Rev. George E. Street, Rev. George B. Spalding, D.D., and Rev. James W. Hubbell were chosen Committee of Inquiry.

9.30 *o'clock.* Rev. John Q. Bittinger read an essay on "The importance of constant and earnest ministerial study," which was followed by remarks from Rev. Jeremiah K. Aldrich, Rev. Jacob Chapman, Rev. Alonzo B. Rich, D.D. and Joseph Smith, Esq.

10.30 *o'clock.* Prayer by Rev. Josiah H. Stearns. Singing.

Rev. Franklin D. Ayer, delegate to Andover Theological Seminary, and Rev. Charles E. Milliken, delegate to the Methodist Conference, reported.

Rev. Wm. B. Brown, D.D., presented the claims of the American Congregational Union; Rev. Stedman W. Hanks, the claims of the American Seamans' Friend Society; Rev. James P. Kimball, the claims of the American Tract Society; Rev. Lewis Grout, the claims of the American Missionary Association, and Dea. Wm. G. Brown, the claims of the New-Hampshire Bible Society.

Rev. Silas Curtis presented the fraternal greetings of the Free Baptist Yearly Meeting.

Rev. Rowland B. Howard brought greetings from the General Association of New Jersey.

Singing. Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

2 *o'clock.* Prayer by Dea. Horace Pettee.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Memorials from Grafton and Hillsboro' Conferences, relating to the National Council, were presented and referred to a Committee.

The following resolution, presented by Rev. Jeremiah K. Aldrich, was adopted:

Resolved, That the extreme sufferings of the people in the plague-stricken portions of the South, calls for our commiseration and sympathy, and that, in the opinion of this Association, it is advisable, and we hereby recommend, that, upon the fourth Sabbath of this month, a collection be taken for their benefit in all the Congregational and Presbyterian churches of our State which have not already contributed.

2.30 *o'clock.* Singing. Prayer by Rev. Elijah Harmon.

The Narrative of the State of Religion was read by Rev. Samuel L. Gerould.

Prayer by Rev. Edward G. Selden.

Remarks by Bro. Allen Folger.

Reminiscences of deceased ministers were given as follows: viz., of Rev. Nathaniel Bouton, D.D., late of Concord, by Rev. William Clark, D.D., Rev. Franklin D. Ayer and Rev. Isaac Willey; of Rev. James Marshall, late of Troy, by Rev. John L. Merrill; of Rev. Wm. L. S. Clark, late of Temple, by Rev. Geo. S. Merriam; of Rev. Stephen S. Morrill, formerly of Hillsboro' Bridge and Henniker, by Rev. Harry Brickett.

Prayer by Rev. Charles E. Milliken.

Rev. O. W. Scott presented the fraternal greetings of the Methodist Conference.

4 *o'clock.* Singing—"All hail the power of Jesus' name."

Discussion—Different Methods of Bible Study. Opened by Rev. Charles E. Harrington; followed by Rev. William B. Brown, D.D. Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

7 *o'clock.* Singing. Prayer by Rev. Cyrus M. Perry.

Report of Trustees of Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund was read by the Secretary, Dea. Asa McFarland.

Voted: that the Report be printed in the Minutes.

Remarks in relation to this cause were made by Rev. Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D. A collection was taken for this object, amounting to $94.00

The Association then gave way to the Anniversary of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society.

THURSDAY MORNING.

8 *o'clock.* Prayer-meeting, conducted by Rev. Cyrus M. Perry.

8.30 *o'clock.* Prayer by Rev. Nathaniel Barker.

Minutes read and approved.

Committee on Nominations made the following report, which was adopted:

Place of meeting next year—Lebanon.

Committee of Arrangements—Rev. John M. Dutton, Rev. Samuel P. Leeds, D.D., Wm. S. Carter, Esq.

Preacher before the Sacrament—Rev. Edward G. Selden, *Primary;* Rev. Silvanus Hayward, *Substitute.*

Delegate to Andover Theological Seminary—Rev. Isaac C. White, *Primary;* Rev. Levi Rodgers, *Substitute.*

Voted: To print 1500 copies of the Minutes of this year, also the same number in 1879.

Voted: To print, next year, 300 copies of the Narrative of the State of Religion, in its separate form, for the use of ministers.

Voted: That $275 be raised for the current expenses of the Association, for the coming year.

Voted: In order that the annual Minutes of this body may appear each year as early as possible, the Statistical Secretary is hereby authorized to print, before the annual meeting, the report of the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund; also, the report of the Treasurer of the General Association.

Voted: That the Statistical Secretary be authorized to continue the work of Rev. Henry A. Hazen in regard to the ministers and churches of the State, obtaining the personal statistics of each minister who becomes a pastor or acting pastor of one of our churches, and recording the same for future use.

Rev. Samuel P. Leeds, D.D., of the Committee to which the overtures from the Conferences was referred, reported, whereupon,

Voted: That the Treasurer of the General Association be authorized to request the different Conferences to raise one cent per member for the expenses of the National Council already incurred; but that this action shall in no way bind us for the future. We hereby request each Conference to express to the General Association, at its next meeting, its opinion on the subject of raising this assessment for the National Council in the future.

The following Resolution, presented by Rev. George B. Spalding, D.D., was adopted:

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to prepare a circular to be addressed to each pastor and church of our denomination in the State, setting forth the necessities for the establishment of a State religious journal of our own, and calling forth an expression of their judgment in respect to this matter;—the result to be laid before the Association in 1879.

The following persons were appointed a Committee on a religious journal: viz., Rev. George B. Spalding, D.D., Rev. Samuel C. Bartlett, D.D., Rev. Edward H. Greeley, Edward Spaulding, M.D., Hon. Joseph B. Walker.

The following Resolution presented by Rev. Augustus L. Marden was adopted:

Resolved, That this Association recognizes the present exigency in the work of the American Congregational Union, requiring increased sympathy and support, both to meet present demands on its Treasury, and the wants of new fields urgently requiring its aid, and, to this end we earnestly commend this society to the churches of this State.

9.30 *o'clock*. The religious condition of Dartmouth College was presented by Rev. Samuel C. Bartlett, D.D., and Rev. Samuel P. Leeds, D.D.

10 *o'clock*. Singing. Prayer by Rev. Augustus Berry.

Discussion—"At what period shall we receive young converts into the church?" Opened by Rev. John Bragdon; followed by Rev. Frederic Alvord, Rev. Frederic T. Perkins, Rev. Jeremiah K. Aldrich and Rev. Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D.

11 *o'clock.* Prayer. Singing.

Discussion—"Personal Holiness, what are the teachings of the Bible upon this subject?" Opened by Rev. James W. Hubbell.

The fraternal greetings of the Baptist churches were presented by Rev. Wm. V. Garner.

To the salutations received from the several bodies, the Moderator made reply.

The Committee of Inquiry presented the following report for 1879, which was adopted:

Essay—Character in the preacher. Rev. Franklin D. Ayer, *Primary;* Rev. Stephen W. Webb, *Substitute.*

Discussions—1. The Relation of pastoral work to a successful ministry. Rev. Geo. E. Street, *Primary;* Rev. Jeremiah K. Aldrich, *Substitute.*

2. How shall we as a denomination retain our hold on the rural classes? Rev. Austin H. Burr, *Primary;* Rev. John M. Dutton, *Substitute.*

3. How shall the teachings of the pulpit be made attractive to the children of the parish? Rev. Clarendon A. Stone, *Primary;* Rev. Elijah Harmon, *Substitute.*

The following Resolution was heartily adopted:

Resolved, That this Association gratefully appreciates the care and labor which has made provision for the gathering of our body, and hereby extends hearty thanks to our brother, Rev. Charles E. Harrington, and others of the Committee, for the very complete arrangements made; and to the people of Concord, who have so kindly received us to their homes, and given us such generous hospitality; and to the various railroads for reduction of fare.

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to Nathaniel White, Esq., of Concord, for favors in the distribution of the Minutes through the United States and Canada Express.

Rev. Charles E. Harrington responded in behalf of the churches of Concord.

The following resolution, presented by Rev. George I. Bard, was adopted:

WHEREAS, For some years past the temperance work in this State has more decidedly recognized the truths of the gospel, as a motive power, and has been attended with signal success, Therefore,

Resolved, That, as representatives of an important branch of the church of Christ, we joyfully recognize the hand of God in this work; and we earnestly urge upon our ministers and church members that, with a renewed vigor and faith, we continue to oppose the great evil of intemperance with the principles of the gospel, striving to save men from this, and all forms of sin, by the grace of Jesus Christ.

The minutes of the morning session were approved.

Voted: To adjourn *sine die* at the close of the Communion service this afternoon.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

1.30 *o'clock.* The sermon before the Communion was by Rev. Thomas V. Haines, of North Hampton, from the text, Heb. IV: 15—"Touched with the feeling of our infirmaties." Subject—Human life in Christ needful for man.

Rev. George B. Spalding, D.D., and Rev. Samuel P. Leeds, D.D., officiated at the Communion Table.

Adjourned.

FRANK G. CLARK, *Moderator.*

REV. GEORGE F. CHAPIN, *Scribe.*

REV. CHARLES M. PALMER, *Assistant Scribe.*

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

In the Kingdom of God, as in the kingdom of nature, there appears to be a seed time and harvest. The laws that govern these kingdoms are as uniform in the one as in the other.

The operations of these laws we more quickly discern in nature, and have more confidence in them, simply because they are more familiar. A cold and backward season, a drought, a destruction of the growing crops by flood or fire or ravenous insects does not destroy our confidence in the certainty of the law. The next season finds us as active and as full of hope as the last. It would be well if, at all times, we could feel that "God's word shall not return unto him void, but shall accomplish that which he pleases, and shall prosper in that whereto he sent it." Then, though we failed to witness large results, we should labor on just as cheerfully, just as full of hope for the future, as though we saw large ingatherings into our churches.

The two years previous to the last, were years when God made signal displays of his converting grace. We cannot make such a report to-day as was made last year and the year before. But the last year has witnessed the growth in grace, and the confirming in the faith, of those previously converted. And is not this to be as much and as earnestly sought as the conversion of souls? Is it not as much a cause of profound gratitude? These are to be our standard bearers in the future, and God is now preparing them for their work. We may go right on, sowing the gospel seed, and, if we are faithful, there will be a harvest by and by.

CHESHIRE CONFERENCE.

Rev. F. G. CLARK, *Secretary.*

The general impression made by the reports from the churches is, on the whole, very favorable. Only one church speaks of a revival, but nearly all have something to encourage them to go forward. The year has been one of spiritual development, rather than of aggressive work. The field has been cultivated and improved more than it has been enlarged, the result of which has been a good degree of prosperity.

It is evident that the Sabbath School is attracting more and more attention, as is shown by the increased attendance and by the interest in Bible study. More time is given to the lesson both in the school and in preparation during the week.

Several of the churches speak of conversions and additions, but Marlborough has had a marked revival which brought twenty-five into the church, the majority of whom were men. The plan of holding meetings in out-districts seems to be gaining in favor, and the first church in Keene reports quite a religious interest awakened by such gatherings.

Nelson, Roxbury, Sullivan and East Sullivan have had preaching only part of the year, and Chesterfield none for several years. The church in Troy has been greatly afflicted in the death of their pastor, Rev. Jas. Marshall, who died March 5, 1878. In the brief time he labored with this people, he had greatly endeared himself to them by his genial ways and faithful efforts to do them good. He stood among the ministerial brethren as a most conscientious and devoted servant of God.

The churches in Troy and Rindge have adopted what seems to be a successful plan of paying their running expenses, by means of a weekly pledge made at the beginning of the year. The Gospel meetings of the Young Men's Christian Association are mentioned as helpful in their results.

While we have reason to thank God for his goodness, we ought not to be satisfied with our record. We need to plan for more work and better results in the year to come. There should be deeper piety on the part of Christian believers and a greater effort to make the cause of Christ an aggressive one. As one pastor writes, "There is not enough co-operation with God;

prayer lacks the self answering element; consecration to the Lord's work lacks enterprise, and the believer's life needs to be more circumspect, that it may better witness for Christ."

COOS CONFERENCE.

Rev. C. E. MILLIKEN, *Secretary.*

The religious year has been one of general prosperity. Several of the churches have been blessed with special revivals. The church at Bethlehem has emerged from its long sojourn in the wilderness, and, with its new house of worship, amid a growing community, bids fair, ere long, to become self-sustaining. At Colebrook, the souls of some pilgrims are discouraged because of the way, but the church, as a whole, is journeying toward Canaan and not toward Egypt. At Franconia, the church, in connection with the Free Baptists, has been led in green pastures and beside the waters. From Gorham come words of cheer; and, especially, from its co-partner, Berlin, where a new church of twenty-two members has been formed. At Lancaster, the plowshare has been driven deep, and subsoil upturned. As a consequence, truth has taken deep root. The church was never stronger than at present. At Littleton, Gospel workers have verified the promise "give and it shall be given." Working conjointly with the pastors, from three to five gospel meetings have been held Sabbath afternoons, for a good part of the year. God's blessing has unmistakably rested on these labors. At West Stewartstown, faith has opened wide its mouth, and God has filled it with a most precious ingathering.

GRAFTON CONFERENCE.

Rev. Q. BLAKELY, *Secretary.*

There has been, for the most part during the year, an encouraging state of religion in the churches. As a conference, we have more than held our own. Demands for church sittings have increased in several of the churches. It has been a year both for sowing and reaping. Great unanimity prevails in all the churches with perhaps one or two exceptions. There have been no departures from the standards of faith, no abatement of interest in the service of the Master, no lessening of vital force against the adversary. There continues earnest contending for the faith once delivered to the saints, earnest prayer for the

peace of Jerusulem, for the conversion of sinners and the perfection of saints. There has been an increased interest in the study of the Word in the Sabbath Schools, in some instances almost the entire congregation is embraced in the Sabbath School. Bristol, Lebanon, West Lebanon and Lyme report seasons of special religious interest during the year. It is estimated that at Lyme there have been a hundred conversions within the year.

HILLSBOROUGH CONFERENCE.

Rev. F. D. SARGENT, *Secretary.*

The year past has been unmarked by any special outpouring of God's Spirit upon the churches, except those of Manchester and Peterborough. The visit of the evangelists, Moody and Sankey, at Manchester, was wonderfully blessed; the converts numbering hundreds, and the churches being increased by large accessions. The churches in Peterborough were likewise greatly quickened in connection with the labors of Rev. Mr. Fowler.

At present, so far as we can learn, there are eight churches without pastors or stated supplies. The evil result of this may not be so apparent now as at some future period. Nearly every church has repaired or otherwise improved and adorned their church edifices. The churches at Hancock, Mason and Wilton have, with commendable zeal, added their names to the list of those which are out of debt. On the whole, great progress has been made, not by any startling methods, but by the faithful observance of the ordinary means of grace. And this suggests the inquiry if a mistake has not been made in an undue estimate of the work of an evangelist, at the expense of the ordinary labors of our churches and their pastors? If we had as much faith in the latter, should we not see as marked results as from the former?

MERRIMACK CONFERENCE.

Rev. JOHN W. COLWELL, *Secretary.*

The number of churches is twenty-two, of which only eight have settled pastors; of the remainder, nine have acting pastors, and five are vacant.

Most of the churches report "no special religious interest," but at the same time speak encouragingly concerning attendance upon the regular services, the methods of work employed, the

spirit manifested by the workers, and the outlook for the future. Special religious effort has been made in a number of our churches, and several report the quickening influence of the Holy Spirit. Canterbury, Fisherville, Henniker, Hopkinton and Wilmot have been thus blessed of the Lord. For nearly three years, a quiet and deeply penetrating work of grace has been blessing the church at Hopkinton. The pastor is beginning to believe that there can be such a thing as a "continuous revival." From Wilmot, the pastor reports: "At our next communion at least fifty per cent. will be added to the resident membership of the church." Under the labors of Rev. Mr. Garretson, an evangelist, the church at Fisherville have become united, adding a number to their membership. Union meetings in this place resulted in great good to all the community. Members of the Young Men's Christian Association have labored with several of the churches with gratifying results. Canterbury, Concord South, Concord West, Franklin, Henniker, Hopkinton and Pembroke support district meetings or Sabbath Schools, during the whole or a part of the year.

Cheering reports come in from all our Sabbath Schools. This vital department of church work is beginning to receive its proper share of earnest and prayerful attention. One after another, our churches fall into line, abandoning the second sermon in order to throw greater strength into the study of God's Word. Our Sabbath Schools are gradually becoming *Bible* Schools, and already it is a cheering sign to find so many adults present and participating in these Scripture services.

While we are unable to report large accessions to our churches, we can speak, nevertheless, of a healthful religious growth in the same. Earnest work has been done. The goodly numbers gathered into our communion, for the past two or three years, has rendered especially necessary a work of "confirmation." It has been the effort to make "gospel workers" of all converts. We look for good fruit as the result of this year's seed-sowing.

ROCKINGHAM CONFERENCE.

There is a remarkable degree of uniformity in the reports from the churches of this Conference. There have been few revivals, and, on the other hand, no mention is made of any

marked lapse from faith and virtue. It is not easy to select items of interest from one report, that are not contained in most of the others. Nearly all speak of the decided growth in grace of some of the church, of increased attendance upon the services of the sanctuary, of the absence of disturbing causes, and of hopefulness for the future. There is a feeling, sometimes prevailing, that if a church is not advancing so rapidly that its steps can be seen, it is on the retrograde. But it is something, sometimes, to maintain one's ground. It is, indeed, a real advance. We found it so during the civil war, when our armies waited, and drilled and recruited. Because we hear of few revivals, it does not follow that nothing is being done toward building up the Redeemer's kingdom, as these illustrations will serve to show.

At Brentwood, the pastor alternates with the Baptist pastor in sustaining a preaching service and a Bible class, in a community two miles from the village, where the attendance is larger than at the home service. At Epping, fourteen have been added to the church by confession; at Exeter, Second Church, six. The pastor says: "Next to my joy at seeing conversions, is that of watching the constant and surprising growth, under many disadvantages, of some converts, in grace and knowledge of Christ. Commend me to a Congregational church as a place for a soul to grow." At Hampstead, two hundred and fifty sometimes attend the Sabbath evening prayer and praise meetings. At Newington, the Sabbath Schools, the Sabbath and Wednesday evening meetings have been kept up ever since they were without regular preaching in December. Eight have been added to the church in Salem, ten to the church in Seabrook and Hampton Falls. In the latter place there are large classes of young men and women in the Sabbath School. Three fourths of the congregation at Windham attend the Sabbath School. The spiritual life of this church was greatly quickened by the meetings held by Mr. Folger and his associates. The labors of Messrs. Whittle and McGranaham in Portsmouth were followed by an outpouring of the spirit, from the fruits of which, forty-six have united with the Congregational church.

STRAFFORD CONFERENCE.

Rev. S. G. Norcross, *Secretary.*

The annual meeting was held at Laconia, where, fifty years ago, or on the 24th of June, 1828, it was organized. An able and interesting history of the Conference was presented by Rev. Geo. B. Spalding. By special effort, the Secretary obtained reports of the present condition of all the churches within its bounds, save three.

Barnstead North, Effingham, Gilmanton East, and Moultonborough are very much reduced in numbers. At the latter place, the church edifice passed into other hands several years ago. Several of its members attend at Sandwich and might as well be counted there. Effingham sustains a Sunday School a part of the year, and expresses a great desire for the preaching of the Word. North Sandwich comes next on the list of feeble churches, for the past year destitute of religious services, but hopes to unite with the church at Sandwich in sustaining one pastor. Alton speaks of better success than usual in financial matters. Milton has a larger attendance on church meetings and Sabbath services than formerly. Barrington is coming up out of a low state of religion to one of faith and hope in the Strong One of Israel. From Lee, including Madbury, comes the cheering intelligence of continued interest in work and worship, very large attendance on the services of the Lord's day, and an unusually large proportion of the inhabitants of the town in the Sabbath School. Farmington has new hopes inspired by a general thoughtfulness in the congregation and a large attendance upon public worship.

The first church in Dover has received very large accessions, nearly one hundred, as the fruit of the revival last year. The work of the year has been teaching and confirming these in the faith. At the Belknap Church, Dover, attendance on the services has more than trebled of late. Eight have already united with the church, and several others are soon to come in. Durham, which for several years has reported no special interest, now reports "interest good," of which the evidence is that eighteen have already been added to the church. At Ossipee Center some have been added to the church at each communion. The pas-

tor preaches Sunday afternoons at the "Corner," where there is a good attendance and good attention. Milton Mills has seen showers of grace passing by them for a long time; now some refreshing, with signs of greater good, has come to the waiting disciples; nine have united with the church, five of them by confession. At Sanbornton, four neighborhood meetings, beside the one at the Center, are well and regularly sustained, and by lay effort. The reflex influence of these meetings on the church has been very happy. Of the additions to the church, two were sisters who, though in feeble health, frequently walked two miles over bad roads to the inquiry meetings. The church is mourning the loss of two of its deacons who died within three weeks of each other. Barnstead has received four into its membership by confession; North Conway, thirteen; Laconia, six, and Wakefield, three; and in each of these churches the disciples are greatly cheered.

SULLIVAN CONFERENCE.

Rev. L. Rodgers, *Secretary.*

There is renewed interest and courage at Charlestown where Mr. Geo. H. Dunlap was ordained pastor last year. Congregations are larger and the social meetings are remarkably well sustained. "With God's blessing we hope for better days." The church in Claremont has had full congregations and is increasing in membership and, it is believed, in spiritual strength. Cornish reports a strengthening of individual piety and encouragement in work in outlying districts, and has every reason to be of good courage. At Goshen, services are well attended and the Sabbath School is interesting. In Newport, the Providence plan of weekly offerings for benevolence has been inaugurated and proves a success. At Meriden, the year has been one of usual, if not of marked prosperity. Entire harmony prevails in the church, and many have shown a willingness to make much self-sacrifice to support the gospel. Kimball Union Academy still calls together a good number of Christian workers ready for the Master's service. A Sunday School and prayer meeting are sustained by the students in one of the school districts, as in years past, and with even more than the average good results. Ought not this school, in view of the

past, and of the future which we trust awaits it, to have our sympathy and prayers? Washington is now without a pastor and is laboring under difficulties and discouragements. The Sabbath School is kept up, however, and a sermon read from the Monday Club Sermons upon the Sunday School lessons.

CONCLUSION.

From the report which has been presented, we see that there is a large variety in God's methods. He has blessed the work of the faithful pastor, where for years there had been hopeful waiting and earnest praying; the more pronounced labors of the evangelist have been followed with a harvest of souls; the Sabbath School teacher has seen the seed he has sown, springing up and yielding a golden harvest; while the lay-worker has not been left out in making up the awards. To the results that have been witnessed, doubtless many hidden influences have contributed—such as the faithful training of children by parents, some of whom are now in their graves, and by teachers who may have forgotten the names of those they taught. Let us be thankful that God knows how to bring the best results from what the feeblest of us can do. His truth shall not be lost, but, whatever the medium for its transmission, it shall accomplish that for which he sent it.

With all that is hopeful, there are some indications that are not as hopeful. Among these, as it seems to me, is the growing tendency to avoid the responsibilities of the pastorate According to the best information at my command, sixty-five of our churchrs are now served by pastors, while seventy-two are served by acting pastors, and, if we add the licentiates and ministers of other denominations that are thus officiating, the number is increased to eighty-five. Some of these have been a long period in their positions, and have been very faithful laborers; but might they not have accomplished more, other things being equal, as pastors? A hired house-keeper may be ever so conscientious, but her feeling toward the household must be very different from that of a wife.

Thirty-nine of our churches are without regular preaching. A part of these are virtually extinct, and are borne upon the rolls only with the hope of future revival; a part are hearing

candidates, and when the angel Gabriel shall take his turn, he will doubtless receive "a call;" while others are in the brief interval between one successful pastorate and another. The example of some of our larger churches in securing pastors without hearing several candidates, and in filling the vacancy very quickly after it occurred, is worthy of being followed by all.

S. L. GEROULD, *Statistical Secretary.*

ITEMS FROM THE CHURCHES.

Acworth.—Debt reduced to the amount of $600.

Atkinson.—Parsonage repaired at expense of $97.

Auburn.—Debt of $700 on parsonage paid, and repairs made, mainly through the generosity of Mr. Samuel Anderson, who gave $600.

Bethlehem.—Church edifice erected, costing $3,500, all paid for, with some help from outside, except $475, which will be provided for before November.

Boscawen.—Debt of $150 paid, and church edifice painted.

Bristol.—Parsonage repaired at expense of $100.

Campton.—Parsonage repaired at expense of $250.

Charlestown.—Lecture room provided with new seats.

Chichester.—Parsonage repaired at expense of $75.

Concord, North Church.—Cancelled debt of $400 on organ.

Concord, West.—Debt of $3,000 removed; system of weekly offerings to meet parish expenses adopted.

Concord, South.—Repaired church edifice, also chapel.

Concord, East.—Raised $1,414.66 for payment of a debt.

Dunbarton.—$200 paid on debt, and gifts received amounting to $130.

Epping.—Debt reduced $450.

Epsom.—Expended $100 on parsonage.

Exeter, 2d.—Interior of church edifice repaired at expense of $1,778; new Hymn Books introduced.

Greenland.—Parsonage painted at expense of $85. A lady in Portsmouth offers $500 toward remodeling the church, if it shall be undertaken within two years.

Groton.—A legacy of $500 received from George W. Lang, Meredith; house of worship repaired at expense of $100.

Hanover.—Church edifice enlarged, repaired and improved at expense of $4,000.

Henniker.—New carpet, new chandeliers, new windows provided for house of worship, and the walls tinted.

Jaffrey.—Received $500 from outside friends toward paying for parsonage.

Kingston.—Parsonage painted and church re-carpeted; a set of pulpit furniture received from a former resident of the town.

Lebanon, West.—Increased the lighting capacity of church, and lamps placed on posts at entrance.

Lyme.—A new communion service received from a former citizen.

Manchester, Franklin St.—Seating capacity of church to be increased by four hundred and fifty sittings, and other alterations made, involving an expense of $15,000.

Monroe.—Two thirds of its debt cancelled.

New Ipswich.—House of worship to be improved at expense of $600 or $700.

Newmarket.—Celebrated its semi-centennial May 24th; a new Church Manual published.

Newport.—Parsonage completed and occupied.

Orfordville.—A cross of olive wood received from the Holy Land—a present from a friend.

Orford.—Gift of a $400 organ received.

Pembroke.—Parsonage repaired, rooms for social meetings of church in preparation, society expects to receive $1,000 from estate of Mrs. Whitehouse.

Plaistow.—$30 expended on parsonage.

Portsmouth.—System of weekly offerings adopted, thereby doubling benevolence; $4,000 left to charitable objects by a deceased member.

Rindge.—A valuable communion service received from a former member.

Salem.—A legacy of $100 received, which pays all debts.

South Newmarket.—$40 expended on parsonage.

Stoddard.—Received $150 from friends living elsewhere, toward repairs.

Stratham.—A debt of $100 paid; $400 pledged towards chapel.

Sullivan.—$50 received from absent friends for parish expenses.

Tilton.—Debt of $400 on organ paid; a legacy of $1,000 received for support of gospel.

Warner.—New furnaces in church.

Wentworth.—Received $100 for support of gospel, and same sum for parsonage from estate of Dea. Eaton.

Wilmot.—A number of old accounts of long standing, mingled with several misunderstandings, have been satisfactorily settled.

Windham.—Paid $400 on its debt.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE MINISTERS' AND WIDOWS' CHARITABLE FUND.

The annual meeting of the Trustees of the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund was held at the house of Asa McFarland, Esq., in Concord, on Wednesday, June 5, 1878. The following members of the Board were present, namely: Rev. William R. Jewett, Rev. F. D. Ayer, John W. Noyes, Shadrach Seavey, Asa McFarland and Francis A. Fiske. In the absence of the President, Rev. Dr. Bouton, on account of illness, Mr. Asa McFarland was chosen President *pro tem.*

The Treasurer, Shadrach Seavey, Esq., submitted his annual report, which was accepted, adopted, and ordered to be filed with the Secretary.

The resignation of the President was communicated to the Board by Rev. Mr. Jewett, and the Trustees then proceeded to elect, by ballot, officers for the ensuing year, as follows:

Rev. WILLIAM R. JEWETT, *President.*
ASA MCFARLAND, *Secretary.*
SHADRACH SEAVEY, *Treasurer.*
LYMAN D. STEVENS, FRANCIS A. FISKE, } *Auditors.*

The President, Secretary and Treasurer constitute the Standing Committee.

On motion of the President, Mr. Jewett,

Voted, That the thanks of the Trustees be, and hereby are, presented to Rev. N. Bouton, D.D., for his long, faithful and very acceptable services as President of the Board, and that a copy of this vote be communicated to his family. [Dr. Bouton died on the 6th of June,—the next day after the passage of this vote.]

Upon examining the roll, it was found that there were three vacancies, and the Trustees proceeded to an election, and chose Rev. Charles E. Harrington, of Concord; Rev. Clarendon E Stone, of Hopkinton, and Rev. John W. Colwell, of West Concord.

PRESENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Rev. Wm. R. Jewett, Concord; John W. Noyes, Chester; Rev. Moses T. Runnels, Sanbornton; Asa McFarland, Concord; Shadrach Seavey, Concord; Jonathan E. Sargent, Concord; Rev. F. D. Ayer, Concord; Lyman D. Stevens, Concord; Rev. E. H. Greeley, Rev. Charles E. Harrington and Rev. J. W. Colwell, severally of Concord; Rev. C. E. Stone, of Hopkinton and Francis A. Fiske, of Concord.

[*Note by the Secretary.*—The Constitution provides that the Board shall consist of fourteen members, of whom *seven* shall be ordained clergymen, and that *five* members constitute a quorum. The annual meeting—and that is usually the only one in the year—is of only one or two hours' duration; and it has been found, by long experience, that in order to procure the attendance of the number necessary to legally transact business, a majority of the Board must consist of inhabitants of Concord. The members of the present Board, chosen by the General Association, are Rev. Mr. Runnels, of Sanbornton, and Hon. John W. Noyes, of Chester.]

At a meeting of the Prudential Committee, held immediately after that of the Trustees, eighty dollars each were appropriated for the support of three clergymen, and fifty to a fourth; all in restricted circumstances; and forty dollars each to six widows of clergymen, who, but for the aid of this fund, might suffer for the necessaries of life.

The donations and contributions of the year were as follows:

WIDOWS' CHARITABLE FUND.

Keene—First Congregational Church and Society,	$7.50
Bridge—Congregational Church,	1.16
Mrs. E. T. Bridge,	1.00
Gilsum—Congregational Church and Society,	4.00
Portsmouth—North Church,	35.47
Henniker—Congregational Church,	10.00
By a friend,	.50
Income from Permanent Fund,	204.06
Total,	$263.69

MINISTERS' AND WIDOWS' FUND.

Contributed by Rev. S. P. Leeds,	$5.00
" " Rev. J. B. Cook,	1.00
Keene—First Congregational Church,	22.92
Rindge—Congregational Church,	6.21
Contributed at the General Association, Great Falls,	36.11
Henniker—Congregational Church and Society,	10.00
Winchester—Congregational Church and Society,	4.25
Greenland—Congregational Church and Society,	14.00
Concord—First Congregational Church and Society,	27.84
" South Congregational Church and Society,	32.90
Goffstown—Congregational Church and Society,	10.44
Stratham—Congregational Church and Society,	5.25
Meredith Village—Congregational Church and Society,	13.00
Sanbornton—Congregational Church and Society,	15.00
Chester—Congregational Church and Society,	10.00
Keene—First Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Rev. Artemas Boies, a Memorial Member,	15.35
Interest on Permanent Fund,	405.58
From Memorial Members,	80.00
Total,	$664.85

MEMORIAL MEMBERS,

BY THE PAYMENT OF TEN DOLLARS EACH.

Concord—Mrs. Asa McFarland.
" Mrs. Benjamin P. Stone.
" Mrs. Nathaniel Bouton.
Fisherville—Rev. William R. Jewett.
Fall River, Mass.—A friend.
Hanover—Mrs. Henry E. Parker.
" Mrs. S. P. Leeds.
" Mrs. Anna P. Emerson.
Westmoreland—Mrs. Mary E. W. Cole.
" Mrs. Betsey Shaw.
Zanesville, Ohio—A daughter of New-Hampshire.
Center Harbor—Mrs. Susan S. Moulton.
Greenland—A widow's offering.
Haverhill, Mass.—Mrs. Moses Kimball.
Concord—Mrs. Calvin Howe.
" Rev. S. L. Blake.
" Mrs. Isabel M. Blake.
" Mrs. Clara D. Berry.
" Mrs. Hazen Pickering.
" Mrs. Juliana P. Lang.
Boscawen—Mrs. John Greenough.
Pembroke—Rev. Lyman White.
Fisherville—Mrs. Hannah A. C. Jewett.

Bangor, Me.—Mrs. Mehitable S. Coe, by her son, Eben S. Coe.
Waltham, Mass.—Mrs. Rebekah Jewett.
" " Miss Elizabeth Jewett.
South Newmarket—Mrs. Joseph Bartlett.
North Hampton—Rev. Jonathan French, by his children.
Claremont—Rev. Christopher Marsh, by his daughter.
" Mrs. E. L. Goddard.
Concord—Mrs. N. S. Batchelder.
Raynham, Mass.—Ella L. Mann, by Asa Mann.
Plymouth—Rev. Jonathan Ward, by Mrs. Arthur Ward.
Concord—Mrs. Belinda Seavey.
Rockport, Mass.—Rev. David Jewett, by his son.
Newton, Mass.—David B. Jewett, by his sister.
Milford—Rev. John M. Ellis, by Mrs. Josephine M. Ellis.
Concord—Asa McFarland, Esq.
Amherst—Rev. William Clark, D.D.
" Mrs. Mary C. Clark.
Fisherville—Edward Jewett Tucker, by his father, Rev. William R. Jewett.
Laconia—Rev. John K. Young, by Congregational Church and Society.
Atkinson—Col. Wm. Page and Mrs. Elizabeth Page, by their son, Rev. Joseph Page.
Hanover—Rev. Asa D. Smith.
Keene—Rev. Artemas Boies and Mrs. Susan Boies, by their daughter, Miss Lauretta Boies.
Newton, Mass.—Rev. John Whitney, Mrs. Mary A. Whitney and Mrs. Lavinia M. Jewett, by Miss E. C. Jewett.
Hanover—Mrs. Asa D. Smith.
Concord—Rev. William R. Jewett, for Ralph W. Jewett, of Hollis.
Chester—Mrs. John W. Noyes.
Concord—Mrs. Richard Herbert, by her daughter, Mary C. Herbert.
" Mrs. Charlotte H. Woolson, by her daughter, Charlotte A. Woolson.
Pittsfield, Mass.—Rev. John Todd, by Mrs. C. I. Hill.
Sanbornton—Mrs. Fannie Runnels, by Rev. Moses T. Runnels.
Loudon—Mrs. Hannah Stevens.
Plainfield—Rev. Jacob Scales.
" Mrs. Tenney K. Gage.
Pelham—Rev. John H. Church, D.D.
New York City—Rev. Wm. Jewett Tucker, by Rev. Wm. R. Jewett.
Hollis—Mrs. R. W. Jewett, by Rev. Wm. R. Jewett.
Laconia—Mrs. John K. Young, by Rev. Wm. R. Jewett.
Nashua—Mrs. Alma L. Curtis.

The Institution, known originally as "The Trustees of the Widows' Charitable Fund," became a corporate body so long ago as the year 1815, and its contributions were for many years bestowed only upon the widows of clergymen in restricted circumstances. During several years, ten dollars was the sum given. This was next increased to twenty dollars, and now a still greater amount is disbursed, as will be seen by this Report. Our charter was amended by the Legislature of 1866, and thence-

forward clergymen in needy circumstances, as well as the widows of clergymen, have received aid from this Fund. The sum appropriated at the meeting in June was $40 to widows, and $80 to four clergymen and $50 to a fifth.

The funds of the corporation are in charge of SHADRACH SEAVEY, Esq., of Concord; a gentleman well known for his integrity and careful business habits, who has hitherto served without any other compensation than that derived from having done good service in a righteous cause. The funds consist of city bonds, railway shares, and other stocks known to be good. The cost of caring for these funds and distributing so much of the income as the Trustees disburse annually, has not exceeded five dollars a year, some years not so much as two, and that for postage and stationery.

We commend this charity to the continued consideration of the churches in New-Hampshire of our denomination. But for its annual dispensations through a period of more than sixty years, many men, and excellent women not a few, who performed good service for God and the world, would have been exposed to absolute want, to the reproach of the Congregational churches of New-Hampshire.

In behalf of the Trustees,

ASA McFARLAND, *Secretary of the Board.*

Concord, August 20, 1878.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

General Association of New-Hampshire, in account with SAMUEL L. GEROULD.

						Cr.
Sept. 1, 1877.	By balance from last year,					$417.04
Mar. 5, 1878,	By cash from Coos Conference, assessment 1877,					8.00
June 12,	"	"	"	Hillsborough Conference,		81.00
"	"	"	"	Merrimack	"	40.00
" 20	"	"	"	Rockingham	"	52.00
" 27	"	"	"	Grafton	"	30.00
"	"	"	"	Sullivan	"	16.00
Aug. 8,	"	"	"	Cheshire	"	39.00
					Total,	$683.04

					Dr.
Nov. 8, 1877.	To cash paid printing Narrative, Minutes, &c.,				$196.81
" 10,	"	"	"	" Essay, Rev. E. H. Greeley,	25.75
Feb. 37, 1878,	"	"		ruling blanks, and blank book,	2.81
Apr. 12,	"	"	"	printing circulars, and *Pastors of New-Hampshire.*	81.00
July 12,	"	"	"	printing circulars,	.75
Aug. 15,	"	"	"	expenses, postage, express and stationery,	25.40
" "	"	"	"	salary, Statistical Secretary,	50.00
	Balance now in Treasury,				300.52
				Total,	$683.04

Concord, N. H., Aug. 14, 1878.

This certifies that I have this day carefully examined the account of Rev. S. L. Gerould, as Treasurer of the General Association of Congregational Churches of New-Hampshire, for the year ending August 15, 1878, and find the same correctly cast and sustained by satisfactory vouchers, and that there remains in his hands, a balance of three hundred dollars and fifty-two cents.

L. D. STEVENS, *Auditor.*

THE ANNUAL STATISTICS.

ASSOCIATIONS.

ABBREVIATIONS: *P.—Pastor; A. P.—Acting Pastor; W. C.—Without Charge; T.—Teacher.*

I. BELKNAP ASSOCIATION.

Organized 20 April, 1841. QUINCY BLAKELY, Scribe.
Meets Tuesday before the last Sabbath in January and October, and second Tuesday in May and August.

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Emp't-ment.
William F. Bacon,	*Chelsea, Mass.*	26 Sept., '67	23 Jan., '72	W. C.
George I. Bard,	Meredith Village.	17 Oct., '60	23 Oct., '73	P.
Almon Benson,	Center Harbor.	23 Dec., '40	20 April, '41	W. C.
Joseph Blake, D.D.,	Gilmanton.	3 Mar., '41	July, '60	P.
Quincy Blakely,	Campton.	16 Feb., '59	6 Sept., '64	P.
John Clark,	Plymouth.	23 Jan., '35	'55	W. C.
Liba Conant,	Bristol.	29 May, '23	14 May, '50	W. C.
David Connell,	Plymouth.	20 Nov., '42	23 Oct., '77	W. C.
Joshua S. Gay,	*Hanson, Mass.*	27 Jan., '48	July, '75	A. P.
James B. Hadley,	Campton.	20 Sept., '37	5 Nov., '61	W. C.
David S. Hibbard,	North Groton.	26 July, '60	13 May, '73	A. P.
Giles Leach,	Meredith Village.	6 Feb., '33	8 Aug., '71	W. C.
Moses T. Runnels,	Sanbornton.	13 Aug., '56	'66	P.
George H. Scott,	Plymouth.	3 Sept., '73	23 Oct., '73	P.
Charles L. Tappan,	Sandwich.	28 Jan., '64	13 May, '73	W. C.

II. DERRY ASSOCIATION.

Organized 7 May, 1834. C. L. HUBBARD, Scribe.
Meets third Tuesday in February, April, June, October and December.

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Emp't-ment.
Augustus Berry,	Pelham.	30 Oct., '61	12 Jan., '64	P.
Ebenezer W. Bullard,	*Stockbridge, Mass.*	8 Aug., '38	27 June, '71	W. C.
Wm. V. W. Davis,	Manchester.	12 Sept., '77	14 Oct., '77	P.
Samuel L. Gerould,	Goffstown.	2 Oct., '61	13 July, '69	P.
Robert W. Haskins,	Derry.	19 Nov., '72	24 June, '73	P.
Charles L. Hubbard,	Merrimack.	2 Sept., '68	13 Oct., '68	P.
Charles T. Melvin,	Atkinson.	18 Oct., '59	12 Oct., '75	A. P.
Charles Packard,	Windham.	6 May, '46	24 June, '73	P.
Jesse Page,	Atkinson.	16 Sept., '35	5 Feb., '61	W. C.
A. Burton Palmer,	*California.*	1 Feb., '76	5 June, '77	W. C.
Ebenezer G. Parsons,	*Byfield, Mass.*	4 Oct., '37	5 Feb., '61	T.
William H. Rand,	Manchester.	17 Jan., '72	5 May, '74	W. C.
Edward G. Selden,	Manchester.	16 Dec., '73	13 Jan., '74	P.
Charles Tenney,	Chester.	7 Feb., '44	18 June, '72	P.
Ira C. Tyson,	Bedford.	7 Oct., '62	10 Jan., '71	P.
Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D.,	Manchester.	8 Jan., '40	5 Feb., '61	W. C.
Albert Watson,	Hampstead.	27 June, '71	20 Feb., '77	P.

III. HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

Organized 4 March, 1834. No Scribe. No Meetings. Records in hands of Rev. E. P. Eastman

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Emp't-ment.
Nathaniel Barker,	Wakefield.	1 Nov. '26	Not given.	W. C.
James Doldt,	Canterbury.	21 Sept., '43		A. P.

IV. HOLLIS ASSOCIATION.

Organized 5 May, 1762. **GEORGE F. MERRIAM, Scribe.**

Meets first Tuesday in February, May, August and November.

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Emp't. ment.
Jeremiah K. Aldrich,	Nashua.	17 Feb., '63	6 Feb., '77	A. P.
Frederick Alvord,	Nashua.	21 July, '58	2 Nov., '69	P.
Justus N. Brown,	Wilton.	23 Oct., '70	1 May, '77	A. P.
William Clark, D.D.,	Amherst.	30 April, '28	4 May, '52	W. C.
Josiah G. Davis, D.D.,	Amherst.	22 May, '44	5 Nov., '44	P.
Daniel Goodwin,	Mason.	27 Feb., '39	14 May, '39	W. C.
George Goodyear,	Temple.	22 July, '28	16 Nov., '55	W. C.
Seth H. Keeler, D.D.,	*Somerville, Mass.*	15 Oct., '20	4 May, '69	W. C.
Sanford S. Martyn.	*Terre Haute, Ind.*	29 April, '68	4 April, '75	P.
George F. Merriam,	Greenville.	9 Mar., '65	6 Feb., '66	P.
George Pierce, jr.,	*No. Andover, Mass.*	14 Oct., '63	28 July, '74	P.
Austin Richards, D.D.,	*Boston, Mass.*	7 Nov., '27	10 May, '36	W. C.
Thomas S. Robie,	*Winchenden, Mass.*	25 Oct., '59	6 May, '73	A. P.
Frank D. Sargent,	Brookline.	20 Oct., '69	2 Aug., '70	P.
Bela N. Seymour,	New Ipswich.	20 June, '55	13 July, '75	W. C.
Amos F. Shattuck,	Hollis.	3 June, '68	2 Feb., '75	W. C.
Charles Wetherby,	Nashua.	28 Sept., '59	28 July, '74	P.
William H. Woodwell,	Mont Vernon.	12 June, '73	4 Sept., '77	A. P.

V. LANCASTER ASSOCIATION.

Organized 13 August, 1833. No Scribe. No Meetings. Records in hands of Rev. J. G. Willis, Guildhall, Vt.

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Emp't. ment.
Leonard W. Harris,	*Lewiston, Me.*	2 Nov., '42	Feb., '70	W. C.

VI. MERRIMACK ASSOCIATION.

Organized 29 August, 1788. **A. BURNHAM, Scribe.**

Meets Tuesday after first Sabbath in January, March, May, July, Sept. and Nov.

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Emp't. ment.
Franklin D. Ayer,	Concord.	1 May, '61	19 May, '68	P.
Abraham Burnham,	East Concord.	30 Sept., '57	9 July, '72	A. P.
Austin H. Burr,	Franklin.	3 Nov., '75	'77	P.
Edward Buxton,	Webster.	10 April, '36	April, '36	P.
John W. Colwell,	West Concord.	22 Sept., '75	5 Jan., '78	P.
Jona. B. Cook,	Hebron.	18 Dec., '50	20 Oct., '68	W. C.
Corban Curtice,	Tilton.	5 Oct., '43	June, '46	W. C.
Albert W. Fiske,	Fisherville.	28 May, '33	13 May, '57	W. C.
George A. Foss,	*Pawlet, Vt.*	24 Feb., '74	9 Nov., '75	A. P.
Joseph A. Freeman,	*Broad Brook, Ct.*	30 June, '75	9 Nov., '75	A. P.
Edward H. Greeley,	Concord.	7 Nov., '49	'76	
William R. Jewett,	Concord.	18 Jan., '37	17 Jan., '65	W. C.
Henry A. Kendall,	East Concord.	21 Oct., '40	14 Oct., '51	W. C.
Daniel McClenning,*	East Concord.	29 April, '52	6 Mar., '77	W. C.
Howard Moody,	East Andover.	22 Nov., '43	9 Jan., '44	A. P.
Frederick T. Perkins,	Tilton.	11 Jan., '43	6 Mar., '77	A. P.
Cyrus M. Perry,	Pembroke.	28 Mar., '65	7 May, '78	A. P.
William E. Spear,	Dunbarton.	16 Oct., '73	9 Nov., '75	P.
Clarendon A. Stone,	Hopkinton.	2 April, '73	5 Sept., '76	W. C.
Edward P. Stone,	Center Harbor.	14 Oct., '61	6 Jan., '74	P.
Caleb B. Tracy,	Wilmot.	10 Mar., '30	18 May, '69	W. C.
Lyman White,	Deerfield.	23 Oct., '49	7 May, '72	A. P.
Isaac Willey,	Pembroke.	18 Jan., '26	17 Jan., '71	W. C.

*Also member Union Association. †Sec. N. H. M. S.

VII. MONADNOCK ASSOCIATION.

Organized 5 August, 1793. ELIJAH HARMON, Scribe.

Meets: Annual meeting, second Tuesday of May; other meetings second Tuesdays of August, October and December, unless otherwise ordered.

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Emp't. ment.
Fred Lyman Allen,	Walpole.	26 Sept., '77	11 Dec., '77	P.
John F. Bassett,	Temple.	27 Mar., '70	11 July, '76	A. P.
Levi Brigham,	*Marlboro', Mass.*	15 Mar., '37	13 Oct., '68	W. C.
Justin E. Burbank,		13 April, '58	9 May, '71	(?)
George F. Chapin,	Alstead.	15 April, '66	17 Mar., '74	A. P.
Frank G. Clark,	Rindge.	2 Sept., '69	12 Aug., '73	P.
Henry H. Colburn,	Stoddard.	19 May, '69	10 Aug., '69	A. P.
John Colby,	Fitzwilliam.	31 Oct., '55	8 Feb., '76	A. P.
Samuel S. Drake,	Sullivan.	15 Oct., '34	11 Aug., '74	W. C.
Charles N. Flanders,	Westmoreland.	29 Dec., '74	10 Aug., '75	P.
Mark Gould.	*Ashburnham, Mass.*	8 Oct., '51	11 May, '75	W. C.
Elijah Harmon,	Winchester.	17 Oct., '67	12 May, '68	P.
Silvanus Hayward,	Gilsum.	9 Oct., '61	8 Feb., '76	A. P.
Joseph A. Leach,	Keene.	23 Feb., '64	13 Oct., '68	P.
John L. Merrill,	Marlborough.	31 Oct., '60	9 Aug., '70	P.
Cyrus Richardson,	Keene.	30 Sept., '69	14 Oct., '73	P.
Gilbert B. Richardson,	East Alstead.	30 June, '57	11 Aug., '74	A. P.
Thomas E. Roberts,	Keene.	28 Mar., '61	28 Oct., '62	W. C.
Thomas S. Robie,	*Winchendon, Mass.*	25 Oct., '59	8 Feb., '76	A. P.
Henry H. Saunderson,	Swanzey.	20 April, '48	11 Dec., '77	A. P.
Henry W. L. Thurston.	Harrisville.	25 Aug., '75	11 Dec., '77	A. P.
Charles C. Watson,	*Wareham, Mass.*	2 July, '67	12 May, '74	A. P.
Horace Wood,	Gilsum.	10 July, '39	13 Aug., '67	W. C.

VIII. ORANGE ASSOCIATION.

Organized 7 October, 1801. L. H. ELLIOT, Bradford, Vt., Scribe.

Meets first Tuesday in February, May and September.

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Emp't. ment.
James Aiken,	Haverhill.	30 Aug., '43	2 May, '76	W. C.
John Q. Bittinger,	Haverhill.	25 Oct., '60	2 May, '76	P.
Edward P. Butler,	Lyme.	20 Oct., '74	5 May, '74	P.
Francis B. Knowlton,	Orford.	29 Aug., '65	13 Sept., '71	A. P.
Augustus L. Marden,	Piermont.	30 May, '61	9 Oct., '30	P.
Charles E. Milliken,	Littleton.	28 Sept., '60	7 May, '61	P.
Theodore C. Pratt,	Orfordville.	21 June, '59	25 Sept., '77	A. P.
Erdix Tenny, D.D.,	*Westboro' Mass.*	5 Jan., '31	3 May, '31	W. C.

IX. PISCATAQUA ASSOCIATION.

Organized 24 October, 1781. ISAAC C. WHITE, Scribe.

Meets third Tuesday in January, April, July and October.

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Emp- ment.
Joseph Bartlett,	*Gorham, Me.*	7 Oct., '47	19 July, '70	W. C.
Ernest F. Borchers,	Barrington.	14 Jan., '69	15 Jan., '78	A. P.
Samuel Bowker,	Salem.	10 Dec., '45	17 Jan., '71	A. P.
Swift Byington,	Exeter.	17 Nov., '52	16 Jan., '72	P.
Frederic D. Chandler,	Kensington.	11 April, '69	19 Jan., '75	P.
Jacob Chapman,	Kingston.	23 June, '45	16 April, '72	P.
Sumner Clark,	Wolfeborough.	1 Jan., '45	17 April, '77	W. C.
George W. Christie,	Salmon Falls.	11 Dec., '73	20 Jan., '74	A. P.
Leander S. Coan,	Alton.	18 June, '53	18 April, '76	A. P.
Alexander C. Childs,	South Newmarket.	18 May, '53	16 Oct., '77	A. P.
Thomas V. Haines,	North Hampton.	1 Feb., '61	20 Oct., '63	P.
Frank Haley,	Seabrook.	7 Oct., '63	18 Oct., '70	A. P.
Ezra Haskell,	Dover.	22 Aug., '60	16 Jan., '66	W. C.
William C. Jackson,	Brentwood.	13 Oct., '35	16 April, '72	A. P.
John W. Lees,	Lee.	16 Nov., '70	18 April, '71	P.
Israel T. Otis,	Exeter.	10 June, '35	20 July, '47	W. C.
John Parsons,	Exeter.	14 May, '57	16 April, '67	W. C.
William A. Patten,	Kingston.	18 July, '50	July, '56	W. C.
Albert B. Peabody,	Stratham.	24 May, '60	17 July, '67	P.
Abram J. Quick,	Rochester.	7 Mar., '64	19 Oct., '75	A. P.
William A. Rand,	South Seabrook.	9 July, '75	20 July, '75	P.
Edward Robie,	Greenland.	25 Feb., '52	21 July, '52	P.
George B. Spalding, D.D.,	Dover.	5 Oct., '61	18 Jan., '70	P.
Josiah H. Stearns,	Epping,	6 Nov., '44	Oct., '57	A. P.
George E. Street,	Exeter.	6 April, '64	19 April, '71	P.
Josiah P. Smith,	*Centerville, Mass.*	19 Oct., '64	16 Jan., '77	A. P.
Henry L. Talbot,	Durham.	1 Jan., '73	17 July, '77	P.
George W. Thompson,	Stratham.	29 April, '40	July, '40	W. C.
Stephen W. Webb,	Great Falls.	19 April, '70	20 Jan., '74	P.
Isaac C. White,	Newmarket.	23 Oct., '50	16 Jan., '66	A. P.

X. SULLIVAN ASSOCIATION.

Organized 24 May, 1829. CHARLES M. PALMER, Scribe.

Meets second Tuesday of February, May, September and October.

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Empl't. ment.
Ephraim E. P. Abbott,	Newport.	6 May, '68	6 May, '68	P.
Lewis A. Austin,	Meriden.	26 June, '62	13 May, '74	A. P.
Edward W. Clark,	*Westboro', Mass.*	1 Jan., '50	2 May, '65	W. C.
Charles A. Downs,	Lebanon.	1 May, '49	7 May, '50	*
James T. Jackson,	Cornish.	17 Dec., '74	10 Nov., '74	P.
George W. Kinne,	Bath.	29 April, '74	10 Nov., '74	W. C.
John LeBosquet,	Newport.	21 Sept., '36	1 May, '73	W. C.
Abel Manning,	Goffstown.	7 Nov., '20	5 Nov., '39	
Charles M. Palmer,	Meriden.	8 Dec., '68	Sept., '71	P.
Levi Rodgers,	Claremont.	19 Oct., '71	Nov., '72	P.

*Supt. Public Instruction, State of N. H.

XI. SUNCOOK ASSOCIATION.

Organized before 1809 as Deerfield Association. W. O. CARR, Scribe.

No Meetings the past year.

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Empl't. ment.
Jeremiah Blake, M.D.,	Gilmanton I. W.	1 Nov., '38	5 July, '59	Phys.
William O. Carr,	Barnstead.	13 Feb., '61	29 Oct., '60	A. P.

XII. UNION ASSOCIATION.

Organized 18 December, 1812. GEORGE DUSTAN, Scribe.

Meets second Tuesday in May, August and October.

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Empl't. ment.
John Adams,	Hillsboro' Center.	21 July, '41	8 July, '76	A. P.
Harry Brickett,	Hillsboro' Bridge.	28 Jan., '58	14 May, '62	A. P.
Warren R. Cochrane,	Antrim.	18 Mar., '69	10 May, '70	P.
George Dustan,	Peterboro'.	19 Oct., '59	8 May, '60	P.
Morris Holman,	Antrim.	15 Jan., '45	8 Aug., '65	W. C.
James Holmes,	Bennington.	22 June, '42	9 May, '71	A. P.
Daniel McClenning,	East Concord.	29 April, '52		W. C.
Samuel H. Partridge, M.D.	Greenfield.	10 May, '53	10 May, '53	†

†A. P. and Physician.

XIII. WHITE RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Organized 14 October, 1845. S. I. BRIANT, Hartford, Vt., Scribe.

Meets second Tuesday in January, April, July and October.

Names of Members.	Residences.	Ordained.	Joined Asso.	Empl't. ment.
John Adams,	Hillsboro' Center.	21 July, '41	14 Oct., '45	A. P.
Samuel C. Bartlett, D.D.,	Hanover.	2 Aug., '43	8 Jan., '78	‡
John M. Dutton,	Lebanon.	20 June, '76	20 Mar., '77	P.
Henry G. Jesup,	Hanover.	26 April, '54	9 July, '78	§
Samuel P. Leeds, D.D.,	Hanover.	18 June, '51	17 Sept., '61	P.
Daniel J. Noyes, D.D.,	Hanover.	3 May, '37	10 Dec., '50	§
Wm. A. Packard, PH.D.,	*Princeton, N. J.*	Not ord.	11 Sept., '60	‖
Henry E. Parker, D.D.,	Hanover.	13 Mar., '49	13 Nov., '66	§
Alonzo B. Rich, D.D.,	West Lebanon.	18 Feb., '46	2 Jan., '72	P.
Heman Rood, D.D.,	Hanover.	12 July, '26	14 June, '53	W. C.
Edwin D. Sanborn, LL.D.	Hanover.	Not ord.	11 June, '50	§

‡President Dartmouth College.
§Prof. Dartmouth College.
‖Prof. College, N. J.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

I. CHESHIRE CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED KEENE, OCT. 4, 1829.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1878.			Church Members, Jan. 1, 1878.				Admissions in 1877.			Removals in 1877.				Bapt'ms in 1877.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Alstead Center, 1st,	1778	Gilbert B. Richardson,	June 30,1857	*A.p.*Apr. 8, 1874	16	33	49	6	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	0
" East, 2nd,	1788	Gilbert B. Richardson,	June 30,1857	*A.p.*Apr. 8, 1874	33	52	85	25	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" 3rd,	1842	Geo. F. Chapin,	Apr. 15, 1866	*A.p.*Apr. 1, 1873	7	28	35	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	2
Chesterfield,	1771				4	4	8	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Dublin, Trin. Cong.,	1827	[Richard M. Burr,	Licentiate.	*A.p.*Aug.1,1877]	6	9	15	8	1	2	3	1	1	0	2	1	0
Fitzwilliam,	1771	John Colby,	Oct. 31, 1855	*A.p.*May 4, 1873	44	106	150	18	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	1
Gilsum,	1772	Silvanus Hayward,	Oct. 9, 1861	*A.p.*Sept.1, 1875	17	38	55	8	2	0	2	1	1	0	2	2	0
Harrisville,	1840	Henry W. L. Thurston,	Aug.25, 1875	*A.p.*May 1, 1877	20	53	73	22	3	2	5	2	3	0	5	3	0
Hinsdale,	1763	Henry H. Hamilton,	Sept.11, 1872	*A.p.*Mar.18,1878	43	106	149	16	5	5	10	2	3	0	5	5	6
Jaffrey,	1780	Wm. W. Livingston,	Apr.27, 1860	*A.p.*June 9, 1878	33	73	106	22	14	6	20	1	1	0	2	7	1
" East,	1850	William H. Dowden,	Nov. 5, 1863	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1875	34	70	104	19	1	4	5	0	1	0	1	1	4
Keene, 1st,	1738	Cyrus Richardson,	Sept.30, 1869	July 10, 1873	87	248	335	36	9	5	14	1	9	0	10	6	2
" 2nd,	1867	Joseph A. Leach,	Feb.23, 1864	Sept.15,1869	99	201	300	29	2	1	3	3	6	0	9	2	0
Marlborough,	1778	John L. Merrill,	Oct. 31, 1860	May 2, 1871	64	127	191	25	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	2
Nelson,	1761	[Thomas W. Darling,	Licentiate.	*A.p.*June2,1878]	36	54	90	11	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	1
Rindge,	1765	Frank G. Clark,	Sept. 2, 1869	June 3, 1873	67	134	201	24	9	4	13	2	3	0	5	7	1
Roxbury,	1816				8	21	29	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stoddard,	1787	Henry H. Colburn,	May 19, 1869	*A.p.*Apr.16,1873	11	40	51	14	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Sullivan,	1792				28	43	71	17	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0
" East,	1876	[Thomas W. Darling,	Licentiate.	*A.p.*June2,1878]	21	20	41	6	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0
Surry,	1769				1	3	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Swanzey,	1741	Henry H. Saunderson,	Apr.20, 1848	*A.p.*May 28,1877	29	49	78	9	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Troy,	1815	[David W. Goodale,	Licentiate.	*P.e.* 1878]	41	75	116	13	4	11	15	1	5	0	6	3	1
Walpole,	1761	Fred L. Allen,	Sept.26, 1877	Sept.26,1877	24	72	96	17	2	1	3	1	2	0	3	1	2
Westmoreland,	1764	Charles N. Flanders,	Dec.29, 1874	Dec.29, 1874	39	80	119	20	2	3	5	2	1	0	3	0	0
Winchester,	1736	Elijah Harmon,	Oct. 17, 1867	Oct. 17, 1867	59	116	175	30	5	3	8	5	2	1	8	2	5
					871	1855	2726	410	60	49	109	35	52	2	89	41	28

CHESHIRE CONFERENCE—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. School.		Amount contributed in 1877.							Parish Expenses.	Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	College and Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.		
Alstead Center, 1st,	32	65	45	.....	$68.00	.....	$17.00	.....	$5.00	$90.00	$260.00	Dea. Whitney Breed.
" East, 2nd,	44	75	60	.....	37.30	.....	39.00	.....	5.00	81.30	350.00	Rev. G. B. Richardson.
" 3rd,	45	100	50	.....	.....	$29.00	25.30	.....	27.00	81.30	500.00	Rev. G. F. Chapin.
Chesterfield,		0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	Rev. J. Hall.
Dublin,	8	20	12	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00	900.00	Augustine Wood.
Fitzwilliam,	115	201	92	.....	67.56	29.50	77.05	.....	21.00	195.11	1104.15	Timothy Blodgett.
Gilsum,	79	140	80	$2.00	47.60	24.71	46.42	$8.00	87.25	215.98	1036.00	Rev. S. Hayward.
Harrisville,	37	100	70	.....	10.00	11.25	.....	.....	3.50	24.75	675.00	Chas. C. P. Harris.
Hinsdale,	110	207	107	.....	.....	10.50	.....	.....	.....	10.50	1088.00	Jewett P. Wellman.
Jaffrey,		75	50	.....	15.65	1.00	12.00	.....	10.00	38.65	1800.00	Gurley A. Phelps.
" East,	58	100	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	1050.00	Albert Rand.
Keene, 1st,	260	408	237	24.76	366.11	220.75	415.25	24.75	82.68	1134.30	3500.00	S. A. Gerould, jr.
" 2nd,	175	305	170	23.50	315.55	630.25	224.30	.....	40.00	1233.70	1825.00	Rev. J. A. Leach.
Marlborough,	100	191	97	.....	89.18	24.00	35.00	.....	15.00	163.18	1088.10	Rev. J. L. Merrill.
Nelson,	38	120	63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	240.00	Orrel P. Atwood.
Rindge,	177	301	125	7.65	78.75	25.50	38.25	7.65	286.26	444.06	3996.65	Dea. O. D. Converse.
Roxbury,	16	50	35	.....	6.55	.....	10.00	.....	.....	16.55	160.00	Elbridge Kingsbury.
Stoddard,	40	80	54	.....	2.39	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.39	462.42	Dea. Jonas P. Reed.
Sullivan,	34	86	46	.....	.....	8.00	25.00	.....	.....	33.00	500.00	Atwell C. Ellis.
" East,	32	45	36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	250.00	Oscar D. Beverstock.
Surry,	10	35	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	80.00	Mrs. N. H. Britton.
Swanzey,		114	56	.....	.....	16.00	5.00	.....	.....	21.00		Josiah Parsons.
Troy,	50	170	90	.....	.....	5.00	15.00	.....	.....	20.00	1250.00	Dea. Abel Baker.
Walpole,	60	125	80	.....	40.00	22.00	75.00	.....	.....	137.00	1200.00	E. K. Seabury.
Westmoreland,	85	183	85	7.60	25.00	35.24	62.26	.....	20.60	150.70	930.00	Dea. John Cowdery.
Winchester,	100	234	117	4.00	109.77	24.97	62.85	3.00	24.87	229.46	1100.00	Rev. E. Harmon.
	1705	3530	1962	$69.51	$1279.51	$1118.67	$1184.68	$43.40	$628.16	$4323.93	25,345.32	

II. COOS CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED LANCASTER, FEBRUARY 19, 1863.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1878.			Church Members, Jan. 1, 1878.				Admissions in 1877.			Removals in 1877.				Bapt'ms in 1877.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Berlin,	1877	Arthur J. Benedict,	May 25, 1875	*A.p.*Mar. 1, 1875	3	19	22	0	17	5	22	0	0	0	0	12	2
Bethlehem,	1802	Cary H. H. Pannell,	Dec. 2, 1873	*A.p.*Oct. 28, 1877	16	27	43	3	25	7	32	0	2	0	2	10	4
Chath'm (&StowMe)	1861	Isaac H. Libby,	May 17, 1878	May 17, 1878	12	22	34	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colebrook,	1802				27	57	84	17	4	2	6	2	0	0	2	3	0
Dalton,	1816	James P. Stone,	Oct. 16, 1839	*A.p.*July 1, 1878	12	35	47	10	0	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	0
Franconia,	1814	Unite with F. Bapt.	2 years.		7	11	18	1	3	3	6	1	0	0	1	0	0
Gorham,	1862	Arthur J. Benedict,	May 25, 1875	*A.p.*June 1, 1876	8	30	38	5	9	2	11	0	1	0	1	6	0
Lancaster,	1794	Charles E. Sumner,	Jan. 2, 1868	*A.p.*May 1, 1878	55	113	168	31	0	2	2	4	2	0	6	0	2
Littleton,	1803	Charles E. Milliken,	Sept, 28, 1860	Sept. 28, 1860	50	131	181	22	6	3	9	2	8	0	10	6	0
Shelburne,	1818				0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stewartstown, West,	1846				15	35	50	2	10	1	11	0	0	0	0	7	0
					205	484	689	101	74	26	100	10	15	0	25	44	8

COOS CONFERENCE.—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. School.		Amount contributed in 1877.							Parish Expenses.	Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	College and Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.		
Berlin,	60	100	65	.....	$4.00	.....	$2.00	.....	$4.00	$10.00	$500.00	Rev. A. J. Benedict.
Bethlehem,	60	68	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00	50.00	1200.00	Edward P. Brown.
Chath'm(&StowMe)	25	50	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	Joshua Fifield.†
Colebrook,	75	95	57	.....	6.50	$33.51	14.31	.....	.....	54.32	1000.00	Dea. Hosea Aldrich.
Dalton,	40	80	60	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	7.00	17.00	600.00	Bert A. Taylor.
Francenia,	12	60	50	.....	2.50	2.00	.....	.....	10.31	14.81	150.00	Dea. I. B. Stevens.
Gorham,	65	140	75	.....	25.00	.....	20.00	$4.00	10.00	59.00	725.00	Rev. A. J. Benedict.
Lancaster,	120	160	115	$6.40	29.30	20.00	50.00	8.00	.....	113.70	1655.89	Charles B. Allen.
Littleton,	100	180	114	8.00	33.37	31.50	124.60	1111.31*	74.15	1382.93	1500.00	Rev. C. E. Milliken.
Shelburne,	4	0	0	.....	.....	2.25	.....	.....	.....	2.25	0.00	Mrs. Maria F. Gates.
Stewartstown, West,	32	90	70	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00	15.00	775.00	William Ellis.
	593	1023	693	$14.40	$120.67	$89.26	$210.91	1123.31	$160.46	$1719.01	$8105.89	

*Of this, $1100 was by private individuals for church in Bethlehem. †P. O. address, Stow, Me.

III. GRAFTON CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED ORFORD, JUNE 2, 1828.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1. 1878.			Church Members. Jan. 1, 1878.				Admissions in 1877.			Removals in 1877.				Bapti'ms in 1877.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Bath,	1844	Daniel Phillips,	Feb.21, 1861	*A.p.*June 1, 1878	22	71	93	29	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	0	0
Bristol,	1826	Edwin L. Jaggar,	Mar.17, 1862	*A.p.*May12, 1878	39	90	129	38	0	0	0	2	4	0	6	0	0
Campton,	1774	Quincy Blakely,	Feb.16, 1869	June29, 1864	30	63	93	17	0	0	0	4	2	0	6	0	0
Canaan,	1800				1	6	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Danbury,	1809	Samuel F. Lougee,	Oct. 2, 1873	*A.p.*Apr. 1, 1877	24	39	63	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enfield,	1826	[Francis Parker,	Licentiate.	*A.p.*July1, 1875]	8	25	33	7	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Groton,	1803				6	9	15	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Hanover, Dart. Coll.	1805	Samuel P. Leeds, D.D.	June18, 1851	July 10, 1861	83	137	220	64	1	9	10	2	4	0	6	1	2
" Center,	1810	George Smith,	Aug. 9, 1853	*A.p.*Apr. 1, 1877	39	67	106	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Haverhill,	1764	John Q. Bittinger,	Oct. 25, 1860	July 2, 1874	47	115	162	47	2	3	5	5	6	0	11	2	0
Hebron,	1779	Unite with Methodists			4	14	18	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
Lebanon,	1768	John M. Dutton,	June20, 1876	June 20, 1876	43	109	153	24	7	12	19	3	4	0	7	6	0
" West,	1849	Alonzo B. Rich, D.D.,	Feb.18, 1846	May 17, 1871	60	117	177	22	27	0	27	3	10	0	13	8	17
Lyme,	1771	Edward P. Butler,	Oct. 20, 1874	Oct. 20, 1874	84	161	245	64	2	1	3	6	2	0	8	2	2
Monroe,	1874	Nelson F. Cobleigh,	May 16, 1871	*A.p.*Sept.27,1877	14	23	37	10	1	0	1	0	1	1	2	0	1
Orfordville,	1786	Theodore C. Pratt,	June21, 1859	*A.p.*Apr. 1, 1877	34	50	84	14	0	1	1	5	5	2	12	0	0
Orford, West,	1822	Francis B. Knowlton,	Aug.29, 1865	*A.p.*July 1, 1871	26	66	92	11	0	4	4	3	0	0	3	0	0
Piermont,	1771	Augustus L. Marden,	May 30, 1861	May 30, 1861	40	71	111	35	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Plymouth,	1764	George H. Scott,	Sept. 3, 1873	Sept. 3, 1873	44	151	194	34	32	3	35	2	4	0	6	23	1
Wentworth,	1830				8	31	39	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
					656	1415	2071	472	74	33	107	43	46	3	92	43	23

Dorchester dropped from last year.

GRAFTON CONFERENCE—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. School.		Amount contributed in 1877.							Parish Expenses.	Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	College and Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.		
Bath,	116	110	70	.....	.....	.....	$46.00	$8.00	.....	$54.00	$600.00	H. B. Deming.
Bristol,	97	102	78	$13.25	$46.32	$11.50	22.10	.....	$46.20	139.37	1,085.00	Dea. Nathan B. Butrick.
Campton,	55	125	75	9.25	52.43	21.00	93.92	.....	91.06	267.66	775.00	Erastus Dole.
Canaan,	5	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	Mrs. Sarah Harris.
Danbury,	62	160	71	.....	17.98	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.98	650.00	Hiram Jackson.
Enfield,	25	50	30	.....	16.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	21.00	900.00	M. F. Gould.
Groton,	40	45	35	.....	.....	130.00	50.00	.....	1.00	181.00	100.00	Parker Blood.
Hanover, Dart. Coll.	120	150	130	.....	291.65	144.55	552.08	.....	158.26	1146.54	2,600.00	Rev. S. P. Leeds, D.D.
" Center,	40	80	55	.....	15.72	10.00	.....	.....	.....	25.72	470.00	Isaac Fellows.
Haverhill,	85	135	90	.....	88.10	18.00	80.00	.....	.....	186.10	936.97	Dea. A. K. Merrill.
Hebron,		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	0.00	Samuel Wells.
Lebanon,	140	155	94	14.00	111.00	35.00	122.00	.....	18.00	300.00	2,100.00	Dea. G. S. Nott.
" West,	132	240	118	.....	65.98	18.66	120.56	.....	100.00	305.20	1,900.00	Thomas Waterman.
Lyme,	175	250	145	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			D. C. Churchill.
Monroe,	48	30	25	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	13.00	16.00	272.16	Mrs. Emeline N. Chase.
Orfordville,	80	60	50	.....	.....	.....	11.00	.....	.....	11.00	900.00	Benj. F. Niles.
Orford, West,	98	108	62	.....	10.50	50.00	35.50	.....	.....	96.00	1,000.00	Dea. Isaac Willard.
Piermont,	56	80	45	.....	.....	20.00	56.00	.....	.....	76.00		Rev. A. L. Marden.
Plymouth,	150	175	125	9.11	37.65	21.31	55.07	.....	131.88	255.02	1,800.00	Dea. Wm. W. Russell.
Wentworth,	39	70	34	.....	45.00	5.00	2.00	.....	12.00	64.00	550.00	Dea. G. S. Dean.
	1563	2125	1332	$45.61	$798.33	$485.02	$1254.23	$13.00	$571.40	$3167.59	16,539.13	

IV. HILLSBOROUGH CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED AMHERST, JUNE 12, 1827.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1878.			Church Members, Jan. 1, 1878.				Admissions in 1877.			Removals in 1877.				Bapt'ms in 1877.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Amherst,	1741	Josiah G. Davis, D.D.	May 22, 1844	May 22, 1844	45	138	183	19	2	5	7	6	4	0	10	1	0
Antrim, *Pres.*,	1788	Warren R. Cochrane,	Mar. 18, 1869	Mar. 18, 1869	85	168	253	21	8	3	11	6	2	0	8	7	3
Bedford, *Pres.*,	1749	Ira C. Tyson,	Oct. 7, 1862	May 6, 1869	65	128	193	30	5	2	7	8	4	0	12	3	1
Bennington,	1839	James Holmes,	June 22, 1842	*A.p.* Nov. 6, 1869	17	36	53	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Brookline,	1795	Frank D. Sargent,	Oct. 20, 1869	Oct. 20, 1869	30	64	94	10	1	2	3	2	1	0	3	1	1
Deering,	1789	[Charles H. Taintor,	Licentiate.	*A.p.* June 30, '78]	5	18	23	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Francestown,	1773	[Martin N. Root, M.D.	Licentiate.	*A.p.* Jan. 1, 1878]	75	165	240	67	0	0	0	6	3	0	9	0	0
Goffstown,	1771	Samuel L. Gerould,	Oct. 2, 1861	Feb. 4, 1869	55	147	202	16	4	0	4	3	10	1	14	2	1
Greenfield,	1792	Samuel H. Partridge,	May 10, 1853	*A.p.* May 16, 1869	45	75	120	8	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Greenville,	1847	George F. Merriam,	Mar. 9, 1865	Mar. 9, 1865	28	68	96	20	2	5	7	0	1	0	1	2	1
Hancock,	1788	[John W. Coolidge,	Methodist.	*A.p.* Oct. 14, '77]	33	69	102	19	0	3	3	5	0	0	5	0	0
Hillsboro' Center,	1769	John Adams,	July 21, 1841	*A.p.* May 1, 1861	10	26	36	4	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	1	0
" Bridge,	1839	Harry Brickett,	Jan. 28, 1858	*A.p.* Jan. 1, 1876	19	43	62	18	1	0	1	0	4	0	4	0	0
Hollis,	1743				85	152	237	28	0	3	3	8	5	2	15	0	0
Hudson,	1737	John W. Haley,	Sept. 23, 1864	*A.p.* Sept. 10, 1876	15	38	53	1	8	11	19	0	1	0	1	4	0
Litchfield, *Pres.*,	1741	Brown H. Emerson,	Sept. 30, 1873	*A.p.* Nov. 21, 1875	2	12	14	4	6	1	7	0	0	0	0	4	0
Lyndeborough,	1757				30	46	76	6	9	5	14	1	1	0	2	9	1
Manchester, First,	1839	Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D.	Jan. 8, 1840	*P. Emeritus*, 1840	136	342	478	56	10	13	23	8	15	0	23	8	3
		Edward G. Selden,	Dec. 16, 1873	Dec. 16, 1873													
" Franklin St.,	1844	William V. W. Davis,	Sept. 12, 1877	Sept. 12, 1877	115	333	448	80	6	19	25	5	11	0	16	5	7
Mason,	1772	/Daniel Goodwin,	Feb. 27, 1839	Apr. 18, 1860	28	56	84	23	4	1	5	1	1	0	2	4	1
		[William R. Tisdale,	Methodist.	*A.p.* June 1, 1877]													
Merrimack, First,	1771	Charles L. Hubbard,	Sept. 2, 1868	Sept. 2, 1868	69	124	193	39	3	0	3	0	1	0	1	2	5
" South,	1829				1	9	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Milford,	1788				131	260	391	42	34	7	41	2	5	0	7	29	2
Mont Vernon,	1780	William H. Woodwell,	June 12, 1873	*A.p.* Jan. 1, 1876	52	78	130	5	3	0	3	4	5	0	9	2	2
Nashua, First,	1685	Frederic Alvord,	July 21, 1858	July 6, 1869	182	303	485	70	0	6	6	9	5	0	14	0	1
" Olive St.,	1835	Jeremiah K. Aldrich,	Feb. 17, 1863	*A.p.* Nov. 12, 1876	89	230	319	80	7	21	28	3	3	0	6	7	0
" Pearl St.,	1846	Charles Wetherby,	Sept. 28, 1859	Dec. 7, 1871	70	197	267	32	1	3	4	3	6	0	9	0	4
New Boston, *Pres.*,	1768				44	96	140	20	1	0	1	2	7	0	9	1	0
New Ipswich,	1760	Horace Parker,	May 31, 1861	*A.p.* Aug. 1, 1878	49	110	159	32	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	0	0
Pelham,	1751	Augustus Berry,	Oct. 30, 1861	Oct. 30, 1861	20	55	75	8	8	6	14	3	2	0	5	4	0
Peterborough,	1822	George Dustan,	Oct. 19, 1859	Oct. 19, 1859	69	158	227	10	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1
Temple,	1771	John F. Bassett,	Mar. 27, 1870	*A.p.* Apr. 1, 1878	43	58	101	25	2	0	2	0	5	0	5	0	1
Weare, South,	1876	[Charles H. Taintor,	Licentiate.	*A.p.* May 12, '78]	14	25	39	0	9	1	10	0	0	0	0	6	0
Wilton,	1823				46	88	134		7	5	12	2	2	0	4	4	0
					1802	3915	5717	807	144	124	268	108	94	3	205	106	35

HILLSBOROUGH CONFERENCE.—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. School. Total.	Sab. School. Average.	Amount contributed in 1877. College & Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.	Parish Expenses.	Clerks.
Amherst,	130	155	107	.....	$224.95	$47.50	$340.69	.....	$152.91	$766.05	$1,308.11	Rev. J. G. Davis., D.D.
Antrim, *Pres.*,	153	205	135	.....	12.00	40.00	31.00	.....	151.23	*234.23	1,118.00	Imla Wright.
Bedford, *Pres.*,	130	323	182	$5.89	41.00	.....	52.40	.....	.....	*99.29	1,300.00	John Hodgman.
Bennington,	63	103	50	.....	43.00	15.00	52.49	.....	26.75	137.24	560.00	Rev. Jas. Holmes.
Brookline,	89	140	87	11.60	21.92	14.00	27.00	.....	21.68	96.20	1,025.00	F. A. Peterson.
Deering,	18	40	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	230.00	Dea. Wheeler Barnes.
Francestown	150	100	70	.....	109.00	.....	96.46	.....	12.00	217.46		Levi B. Bradford.
Goffstown,	209	288	145	27.38	61.16	30.25	108.56	.....	59.15	286.50	1,125.00	Dea. Alvin Hadley.
Greenfield,	102	117	70	.....	20.00	4.00	40.00	.....	34.00	98.00	600.00	Edwin C. Richardson.
Greenville,	75	165	95	.....	.....	16.00	33.25	.....	16.00	65.25	900.00	Rev. G. F. Merriam.
Hancock,	120	196	94	.....	.....	31.00	3.10	.....	40.00	74.10		Jonas W. Goodhue.
Hillsboro' Center,	35	60	40	.....	.....	10.00	10.00	.....	.....	20.00		Rev. John Adams.
" Bridge,	80	150	83	.....	13.00	5.00	10.00	.....	.....	28.00	1,075.00	J. Dutton.
Hollis,	165	150	115	12.00	46.70	32.35	66.34	.....	55.32	212.71	1,700.00	Nathan Willoughby.
Hudson,	50	75	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	1,000.00	Rev. S. M. Blanchard.
Litchfield, *Pres.*,	45	50	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.50	*2.50	1,300.00	Rev. B. H. Emerson.
Lyndeborough.	60	106	70	.....	10.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.70	500.00	N. T. McIntire.
Manchester, First,	317	1376	700	.....	294.94	71.50	569.28	.....	1218.62	2,154.34	4,004.00	John D. Patterson.
" Franklin St.,	350	590	395	.....	285.93	.....	334.00	$50.00	388.55	1,058.48	4,000.00	Dea. A. H. Daniels.
Mason,	65	60	40	.....	13.00	48.00	44.15	.....	50.25	155.40	680.00	Rev. Wm. R. Tisdale.
Merrimack, First,	110	275	150	20.00	59.70	23.30	51.65	.....	12.00	166.65	1,150.00	Rev. C. L. Hubbard.
" South,	15	30	25	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00		Stephen M. Sargent.
Milford,	150	410	227	.....	199.75	195.85	129.75	10.00	20.30	555.65	2,040.00	D. Milton Heald.
Mont Vernon,	88	180	130	.....	43.00	18.00	90.00	.....	37.65	198.65	800.00	Alonzo Travis.
Nashua, First,	175	320	198	72.57	531.99	38.77	571.65	.....	303.27	1,518.25	3,668.00	W. P. Clark.
" Olive St.,	176	227	130	.....	38.19	50.00	22.70	.....	51.05	161.94	2,600.00	F. F. Kimball.
" Pearl St.,		220	160	.....	35.19	.....	47.57	.....	.....	82.76		Thad. B. Mason.
New Boston, *Pres.*,	117	169	105	.....	30.00	.....	30.00	.....	35.64	*95.64	864.07	Dea. Marshall Adams.
New Ipswich,	90	110	75	4 11	44.96	44.64	30.10	.....	11.86	135.67	1,110.00	Wm. D. Locke.
Pelham,	100	200	110	.....	186.25	37.05	101.78	.....	129.28	454.36	950.00	Rev. A. Berry.
Peterborough,	100	274	180	10.25	64.44	41.63	44.88	.....	25.00	185.20	1,300.00	Dea. A. A. Farnsworth.
Temple,	58	110	85	2.00	4.20	22.70	2.00	12.83	.....	43.73	600.00	W. P. Bacon.
Weare, South,	44	108	60	.....	12.00	.....	.....	.....	18.80	30.80	765.00	Dea. Jason P. Dearborn.
Wilton,	100	240	112	.....	53.28	68.80	67.89	.....	20.56	220.53	1,300.00	Levi Putnam.
	3729	7322	4333	165.80	$2505.25	$905.34	$3008.69	$72.83	2894.37	$9552.28	$39572.18	

*For Congregational objects.

V. MERRIMACK CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED SALISBURY, JUNE 27, 1827.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1878.			Church Members, Jan. 1, 1878.				Additions in 1877.			Removals in 1877.				Baptisms in 1877.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Andover,	1782	Howard Moody,	Nov. 22, 1843	*A.p.* Jan. 1, 1869	9	19	28	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Boscawen,	1740	[Anthony C. Hardy,	Methodist.	*A.p.* Jun. 1, 1877]	45	80	125	43	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Bradford,	1803				8	15	23	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Canterbury,	1760	James Doldt,	Sept. 21, 1843	*A.p.* Feb. 1, 1870	31	48	79	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1
Chichester,	1791	John F. Aiken,	Oct. 2, 1873	*A.p.* May 10, 1878	33	49	82	23	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
Concord, First,	1730	Franklin D. Ayer,	May 1, 1861	Sept. 12, 1867	99	207	306	21	6	6	12	3	5	0	8	3	1
" West,	1833	John W. Colwell,	Sept. 22, 1875	*Feb. 28, 1877	61	118	179	47	8	3	11	1	0	0	1	7	0
" South,	1837	Charles E. Harrington,	Oct. 27, 1874	Apr. 18, 1878	133	291	424	30	17	5	22	6	20	0	26	0	0
" East,	1842	Abraham Burnham,	Sept. 30, 1857	*A.p.* May 1, 1872	20	38	58	10	0	2	2	2	3	0	5	0	0
Dunbarton,	1789	William E. Spear, / James Wells,	Oct. 16, 1873 / Apr. 1, 1849	Oct. 16, 1873 / *A.p.* Apr. 19, 1877	44	75	119	8	12	3	15	0	0	0	0	11	0
Epsom,	1761	Elliot C. Cogswell,	Nov. 3, 1842	*A.p.* Oct. 1, 1876	8	32	40	0	0	1	1	4	0	0	4	0	0
Fisherville,	1850	Fred'k V. D. Garretson,	Oct. 23, 1871	*A.p.* Oct. 1, 1877	35	95	130	20	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Franklin,	1822	Austin H. Burr,	Nov. 3, 1875	Nov. 3, 1875	34	80	114	36	3	6	9	2	1	0	3	3	1
Henniker,	1769	John H. Hoffman,	Aug. 21, 1877	†June 7, 1878	45	120	165	35	8	4	12	4	2	0	6	5	2
Hill,	1815				5	8	13	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Hooksett,	1828	Unite with Methodists,			9	14	23	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Hopkinton,	1757	Clarendon A. Stone,	Apr. 2, 1873	Dec. 29, 1874	72	149	221	38	12	0	12	2	1	0	3	8	0
Loudon,	1789				5	24	29	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Pembroke,	1737	Cyrus M. Perry,	Mar. 28, 1865	*A.p.* July 1, 1877	31	81	112	26	0	2	2	3	3	0	6	0	1
Pittsfield,	1789	Stephen S. N. Greeley,	Jan. 31, 1839	*A.p.* June 1874	47	92	139	36	1	5	6	4	4	0	8	1	2
Salisbury,	1773	[Albert H. Martin,	Ch'n. Bapt.	*A.p.* Sept. 1, 1877]	18	38	56	12	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	1	0
Tilton & Northfield,	1822	Frederic T. Perkins,	Jan. 11, 1843	*A.p.* Sept. 1, 1875	49	87	136	10	3	3	6	4	2	0	6	3	0
Warner,	1772	George A. Beckwith,	May 26, 1862	*A.p.* July 14, 1878	27	69	96	8	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	1
Webster,	1804	Edward Buxton,	Apr. 10, 1836	Dec. 13, 1837	40	66	106	28	14	1	15	1	3	0	4	3	1
Wilmot,	1829	John H. Larry,	Sept. 15, 1873	*A.p.* Jan. 1, 1877	13	16	29	3	0	0	0	2	4	0	6	0	0
					921	1911	2832	449	86	42	128	50	51	0	101	46	10

*Began July 11, 1875. †Began June 10, 1877.

MERRIMACK CONFERENCE.—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. School.		Amount contributed in 1877.							Parish Expenses.	Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	College & Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.		
Andover,	20	60	50	.....	$30.00	.....	$1.00	.....	.....	$31.00	$620.00	Rev. H. Moody.
Boscawen,	70	110	75	.....	14.20	$10.50	19.60	.....	.....	44.30	950.00	C. E. Chadwick.
Bradford,		0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	Elisha H. Eaton.
Canterbury,	90	147	78	.....	5.00	16.00	16.00	.....	$35.00	72.00	500.00	Samuel Hill.
Chichester,	38	100	50	.....	8.34	10.05	5.00	.....	.....	23.39	550.00	Jeremy L. Sanborn.
Concord, First,	233	305	156	.....	296.13	128.75	857.73	$200.00	251.21	1,733.82	2,200.00	Rev. F. D. Ayer.
" West,	75	200	100	$13.50	14.39	18.00	24.00	12.00	28.90	110.79	1,400.00	Rev. J. W. Colwell.
" South,		500	400	65.87	170.70	79.06	178.70	65.87	378.88	939.08	3,500.00	Seth R. Dole.
" East,	76	100	70	.....	14.44	.....	15.21	.....	.....	29.65	750.00	George Curtis.
Dunbarton,	70	150	106	7.00	33.02	42.50	42.50	.....	29.68	154.70	800.00	Fred L. Ireland.
Epsom,	37	40	30	.....	9.20	1.25	.....	.....	.....	10.45		Benj. Towle.
Fisherville,		175	125	.....	21.84	7.00	50.50	.....	.....	79.34	1,400.00	Dea. David Putnam,
Franklin,	80	150	75	.....	28.54	.....	85.00	.....	20.00	133.54	1,415.71	Luther M. Knight, M.D.
Henniker,	200	169	96	.....	100.00	32.00	79.50	.....	95.25	306.75	1,210.00	L. K. Peabody.
Hill,				.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	Dea. Joseph Prescott.
Hooksett,	20	32	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00		Dea. Hiram Austin.
Hopkinton,	133	160	100	.....	39.65	7.12	112.00	.....	19.62	178.39	1,125.00	Dea. J. M. Harvey.
London,	36	40	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	312.00	Hiram Ordway.
Pembroke,	85	150	125	.....	15.08	47.21	90.00	.....	25.00	177.29	1,000.00	Dea. Brainard Gile.
Pittsfield,		198	106	.....	24.41	30.00	60.00	.....	37.23	151.64	1,200.00	John Clark.
Salisbury,	50	60	35	.....	5.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	10.00		Dea. T. D. Little.
Tilton & Northfield,	100	170	90	.....	70.00	40.00	129.00	.....	30.15	269.15	1,200.00	A. S. Ballantyne.
Warner,	108	140	75	.....	3.00	.....	12.50	.....	.....	15.50	700.00	John Davis, 3d.
Webster,	50	130	75	.....	34.53	16.00	21.00	.....	21.50	93.03	500.00	Rev. E. Buxton.
Wilmot,	30	90	75	.....	5.88	.....	9.00	.....	.....	14.88	450.00	Otis Jones.
	1591	3376	2143	$83.37	$943.35	$485.44	$1813.24	$277.87	$972.42	$4578.69	$21782.71	

VI. ROCKINGHAM CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED CHESTER, JUNE 20, 1837.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1878.			Church Members, Jan. 1, 1878.				Additions in 1877.			Removals in 1877.				Bapti'ms in 1877.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Atkinson,	1772	Charles T. Melvin,	Oct. 18, 1859	*A.p.*Dec. 5, 1875	26	62	88	27	2	3	5	2	0	0	2	2	0
Auburn,	1734	Charles E. Houghton,	May 24, 1876	*A.p.*May20, 1875	14	35	49	13	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	2
Brentwood,	1747	William C. Jackson,	Oct. 13, 1835	*A.p.*July10, 1870	10	38	48	12	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0
Candia,	1771				95	138	233	35	2	0	2	6	10	0	16	2	0
Chester,	1731	Charles Tenney,	Feb. 7, 1844	Aug. 2, 1871	63	144	207	20	7	2	9	3	6	0	9	7	1
Deerfield,	1766 ?	Lyman White,	Oct. 23, 1849	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1875	36	79	115	29	2	2	4	6	0	0	6	2	0
Derry, First,	1719				40	108	148	47	0	0	0	6	2	0	8	0	0
" First Cong.,	1837	Robert W. Haskins,	Nov.19, 1872	Nov.19, 1872	31	93	124	20	3	5	8	2	1	0	3	1	0
Epping,	1747	Josiah H. Stearns,	Nov. 6, 1844	*A.p.*June16,1857	31	61	92	13	14	1	15	3	2	0	5	12	1
Exeter, First,	1639	Swift Byington,	Nov.17, 1852	June 2, 1871	49	130	179	2	11	6	17	3	2	0	5	6	2
" Second,	1744	George E. Street,	Apr. 6, 1864	Mar.30, 1871	49	122	171	48	4	4	8	2	2	0	4	3	4
Greenland,	1706	Edward Robie,	Feb.25, 1852	Feb.25, 1852	10	51	61	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
Hampstead,	1752	Albert Watson,	June27, 1871	Mar.23, 1876	34	86	120	19	9	4	13	4	0	0	4	8	0
Hampton,	1638				65	124	189	23	2	0	2	5	4	0	9	1	1
Kensington,	1737	Frederic D. Chandler,	Apr.11, 1869	Mar. 9, 1876	9	45	54		4	1	4	1	1	0	2	3	0
Kingston,	1725	Jacob Chapman,	June23, 1845	June 7, 1872	9	41	50	10	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	2	0
Londonderry, *Pres.*,	1735	Luther B. Pert.	Oct. 25, 1870	Feb.23, 1875	45	121	166	11	4	0	4	3	1	0	4	2	1
Newcastle,	1700				4	37	41	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0
Newington,	1715	Elijah J. Roke,	June 6, 1867	*A.p.*July 1, 1878	5	23	28	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newmarket,	1828	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	*A.p.*June 1, 1865	25	67	92	17	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
North Hampton,	1739	Thomas V. Haines,	Feb. 1, 1861	*Apr.27, 1870	81	131	212	18	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	2
Northwood,	1798	Ezra B. Pike,	Sept.16, 1863	*A.p.*Nov.11,1877	30	57	87	21	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0
Nottingham,	1742				1	2	3		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Plaistow,	1730	David Bremner,	May 2, 1855	*A.p.*Apr.25, 1875	43	81	124	17	4	3	7	1	1	0	2	2	4
Portsmouth,	1671	James W. Hubbell,	Sept.21, 1864	*A.p.*Mar.11, 1877	103	231	334	65	3	5	8	4	3	0	7	2	3
Raymond,	1791	George A. Perkins,	May 26, 1854	*A.p.*June 1, 1878	45	80	125	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Rye,	1726	Willis A. Hadley,	Aug.21, 1878	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1878	25	69	94	7	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
Salem,	1740	Samuel Bowker,	Dec.10, 1845	*A.p.*July 1, 1873	13	48	61	4	3	5	8	1	2	0	3	2	0
Seabrook & H. Falls,	1799	Frank Haley,	Oct. 7, 1863	*A.p.*Dec. 1, 1875	25	41	66	8	17	0	17	1	0	0	1	9	4
" South,	1867	William A. Rand,	July 9, 1875	†July 9, 1875	4	15	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
So. Newmarket,	1730	Alexander C. Childs,	May 18, 1853	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1877	6	19	25	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stratham,	1718	Albert B. Peabody,	May 24, 1860	Nov.25, 1869	19	43	62	4	9	0	9	1	1	0	2	6	0
Windham, *Pres.*,	1742	Charles Packard,	May 6, 1846	Apr.29, 1873	47	103	150	49	0	1	1	3	3	0	6	0	1
					1092	2525	3617	564	102	49	151	71	51	0	122	72	28

*Began May 1, 1867. †Began Jan. 27, 1867.

ROCKINGHAM CONFERENCE.—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. School.		Amount contributed in 1877.							Parish Expenses.	Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	College and Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.		
Atkinson,	50	100	60	.....	$19.64	$14.63	$113.00	.....	$20.00	$167.27	$900.00	Rev. Jesse Page.
Auburn,	42	100	60	.....	.....	10.50	.....	.....	.....	10.50	427.00	Dea. C. C. Grant.
Brentwood,	32	40	30	.....	.....	.....	3.50	.....	.....	3.50	275.00	Dea. Thos. S. Robinson.
Candia,	102	230	155	$6.25	27.51	27.79	30.46	.....	24.56	118.57	1275.00	Dea. Edmund Hill.
Chester.	100			.....	52.00	8.81	132.00	.....	27.06	219.87	1100,00	Rev. C. Tenney.
Deerfield,	86	107	73	.....	24.70	5.00	16.30	.....	35.00	81.00	950.00	Jona. H. Batchelder.
Derry, First,	90	100	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	1500.00	Joseph Montgomery.
Derry, First Cong.,	80	142	125	.....	170.75	.....	203.69	.....	91.50	465.94	1250.00	Dea. Wm. Anderson.
Epping,	75	166	101	2.00	50.10	2.00	40.03	2.00	54.91	151.04	1266.20	Rev. J. H. Stearns.
Exeter, First,	122	145	100	.....	20.00	30.00	152.21	.....	.....	202.21		Wm. P. Moulton.
" Second,	70	80	60	.....	210.62	88.41	226.00	.....	192.75	717.78	1700.00	Rev. G. E. Street.
Greenland.	43	68	48	.....	62.50	.....	145.56	12.00	65.00	285 06	900.00	Rev. E. Robie.
Hampstead,	80	180	125	7.35	45.00	20.00	34.00	7.35	48.10	161.80	1250.00	W. H. Davis.
Hampton,	110	112	78	.....	13.19	8.48	138.98	.....	25.81	186.46	1100.00	Dea. Joseph Dow.
Kensington,	40	89	84	.....	15.00	.....	15.00	3.00	.....	33.00	650.00	James Hobbs.
Kingston,	40	110	70	10.00	43.75	10.80	35.00	.....	19.00	118.55	650.00	Rev. J. Chapman.
Londonderry, *Pres.*,	75	175	95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	128.00	*128 00	1400.00	†John Dickey.
Newcastle,	42	92	70	.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	2.00	860.00	Leander Garland.
Newington,	50	60	40	.....	10.00	.....	6.00	.....	.....	16.00	500.00	C. M. deRochemont.
Newmarket,	75	200	125	.....	28.65	16.00	35.78	20.41	10.00	110.84	1300.00	Timothy M. Joy.
North Hampton,	120	210	105	.....	44.77	9.72	68.46	.....	45.71	168.66	1056.12	Rev. T. V. Haines.
Northwood,	60	90	60	.....	5.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	6.00	800.00	Samuel S. Moore.
Nottingham,		0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0 00	Mrs. J. P. Cilley.
Plaistow,	45	100	75	.....	24.00	100.00	614.50	.....	10.00	748.50	1000.00	Joseph Kimball.
Portsmouth,	200	275	210	100.00	492.00	25.00	222.00	.....	138.00	977.00	3700.00	Edward P. Kimball.
Raymond,	72	100	75	.....	.....	.....	17.05	.....	.....	17.05	1000.00	S. P. Blake.
Rye,	51	100	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	J. T. Walker.
Salem,	56	75	55	.....	10.00	5.00	32.50	3.50	.....	51.00	850.00	Rev. S. Bowker,
Seabrook & H.Falls.	41	75	50	.....	.....	.....	13.00	.....	10.00	23.00	800.00	Warren H. Batchelder.
" South,	100	100	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00		Rev. W. A. Rand.
South Newmarket,		42	30	.....	.....	.....	12.50	.....	.....	12.50		Henry E. Perry.
Stratham,	47	97	49	.....	23.50	20.00	170.25	.....	21.60	245.35	775.00	Rev. A. B. Peabody.
Windham, *Pres.*,	90	165	105	.....	23.30	.....	20.00	.....	90.55	*133.85	1075.00	Rei Hills.
	2286	3725	2498	$125.60	$1425.92	$404.14	$2500.77	$48.26	1057.55	$5562.30	$30309.32	

*Not including for Presb. objects. †P. O. address, Wilson's Crossing. ‡P. O. address, Hampton Falls.

VII. STRAFFORD CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED MEREDITH BRIDGE (NOW LACONIA), JUNE 24, 1828.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1878.			Church Members, Jan. 1, 1878.				Admissions in 1877.			Removals in 1877.				Bapt'ms in 1877.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Alton,	1827	Leander S. Coan,	June18, 1863	*A.p.*Jan.17, 1875	12	28	40	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barnstead, North,	1804				13	17	30	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Parade,	1867	William O. Carr,	Feb.13, 1861	*A.p.*July 9, 1867	15	23	38	7	4	1	5	1	2	0	3	4	1
Barrington,	1755	Ernest F. Borchers,	Jan. 14, 1869	*A.p.*Sept.23,1871	16	32	48	7	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
Center Harbor,	1838	Edward P. Stone.	Oct. 14, 1861	*A.p.*May 1, 1877	21	37	58	14	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0
Conway, North,	1778	S. Girard Norcross,	Oct. 11, 1859	*A.p.*June15,1873	24	53	77	26	3	1	4	1	0	0	1	2	3
Dover, First,	1638	GeorgeB.Spalding,D.D	Oct. 5, 1861	Sept. 1, 1869	91	256	347	48	66	16	82	4	12	0	16	46	10
" Belknap,	1856	James DeBuchananne.	May 25, 1877	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1877	18	53	71	9	8	1	9	0	6	0	6	7	3
Durham,	1718	Henry L. Talbot,	Jan. 1, 1873	Jan. 1, 1873	19	68	87	17	17	3	20	3	1	0	4	17	0
Effingham,	1798				3	5	8	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Farmington,	1819	Walter E. Darling,	May 20, 1862	*A.p.*Dec. 2, 1877	23	51	74	14	2	0	2	4	1	0	5	2	0
Gilmanton, East,	1774				6	5	11	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Center,	1826	Joseph Blake, D.D.,	Mar. 3, 1841	June13, 1860	31	71	102	18	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	0
" I. W.,	1830	[CassanderC.Sampson,	Licentiate.	*P.e.* 1878]	42	56	98	54	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Laconia,	1824	Jeremiah E.Fullerton,	Sept. 8, 1870	Oct. 17, 1877	32	96	128	34	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0
Lee,	1867	John W. Lees.	Nov.16, 1870	Nov.16, 1870	5	46	51	13	3	0	3	0	1	0	1	3	3
Meredith Village,	1815	George I. Bard,	Oct. 17, 1860	Jan. 2, 1873	13	51	64	10	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Milton,	1815	John N. Lowell,	Nov.22, 1877	Nov.22, 1877	27	60	87	0	3	3	6	1	0	1	2	2	0
" Mills,	1871	Darius B. Scott,	July 14, 1872	*A.p.*Aug. 1, 1877	10	22	32	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Moultonborough,	1777				3	4	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ossipee Center,	1806	Edward P. Eastman,	Apr.20, 1871	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1876	26	62	88	7	22	5	27	2	1	0	3	21	0
Rochester,	1737	Abram J. Quick,	Mar. 7, 1864	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1875	45	117	162	32	1	0	1	1	4	0	5	1	0
Rollinsford, S. Falls,	1846	George W. Christie,	Dec.11, 1873	*A.p.*June 9, 1878	15	34	49	25	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Sanbornton,	1771	Moses T. Runnels,	Aug.13, 1856	June11, 1868	48	94	142	15	16	3	19	4	2	1	7	9	5
Sandwich,	1814	[Albert E. Hall,	Licentiate.	*A.p.*May 1,1878]	9	33	42	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" North,	1832				7	11	18	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somersw'th, G. Falls	1827	Stephen W. Webb,	Apr.19, 1870	Oct. 15, 1873	60	171	231	53	3	1	4	0	1	0	1	3	6
Tamworth,	1792	Franklin Davis,	Oct. 6, 1847	*A.p.*Nov.1, 1876	20	52	72	13	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	0	0
Wakefield,	1785	George O. Jenness,	Feb. 8, 1861	*A.p.*June1, 1875	7	36	43	8	5	0	5	1	0	0	1	5	1
Wolfeborough,	1834	Henry Ketcham,	Oct. 23, 1873	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1878	37	74	111	16	10	4	14	3	1	0	4	10	2
" North,	1839				8	17	25	3	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	4	0
					706	1735	2441	491	167	43	210	41	42	2	85	136	34

STRAFFORD CONFERENCE—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. School. Total.	Sab. School. Average.	Amount contributed in 1877. College and Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.	Parish Expenses.	Clerks.
Alton,	49	100	70	.....	$7.75	.....	$6.75	.....	$9.00	$23.50		Rev. L. S. Coan.
Barnstead, North,	16	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$0.00	None.
" Parade,	45	94	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00		Nathaniel S. Nutter.
Barrington,	52	60	42	.....	.....	$2.50	.....	.....	.....	2.50	500.00	*Samuel C. Ham.
Center Harbor,	41	65	50	.....	14.51	21.25	8.00	.....	.....	43.76	800.00	Rev. Almon Benson.
Conway, North,	210	123	57	.....	10.00	5.00	27.50	.....	23.00	65.50	1250.00	Wm. C. Eastman.
Dover, First,	200	304	204	.....	227.17	103.40	249.50	.....	317.14	897.21	3500.00	Edmund J. Lane.
" Belknap,	80	95	90	.....	.....	1.16	2.03	.....	.....	3.19	2500.00	Wm. H. Hanson.
Durham,	60	90	70	.....	.....	19.00	42.00	.....	.....	61.00	1000.00	W. S. Messerve.
Effingham,	20	30	25	.....	5.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.20	30.00	Mrs. E. M. Dearborn.
Farmington,		165	95	.....	21.75	14.50	28.98	.....	11.81	77.04	1200.00	Dan'l W. Edgerly, D.D.S.
Gilmanton, East,	12	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	Wm. N. Swain.
" Center,	54	77	48	.....	10.25	.....	59.50	.....	11.00	80.75	640.00	Rev. Joseph Blake, D.D.
" I. Works,	40	75	50	.....	10.00	.....	20.00	.....	10.00	40.00	900.00	Rev. Jeremi'h Blake, M.D
Laconia,	80	100	72	.....	8.50	.....	81.97	.....	8.85	99.32	1350.00	Dea. F. W. Reeves.
Lee,		200	150	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	600.00	Rev. J. W. Lees.
Meredith Village,	64	125	74	.....	1037.00	.....	1037.00	.....	510.00	2584.00	900.00	H. N. Newell.
Milton,	57	85	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	1000.00	Robert Mathes.
" Mills,	40	60	50	.....	10.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	11.00	1100.00	Seril Flint.
Moultonborough,				.....	1.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.50		W. Henry Mason.
Ossipee Center,	45	80	60	.....	10.50	.....	12.00	.....	.....	22.50	400.00	Alvin Moulton.
Rochester,	130	180	110	.....	32.80	29.65	97.30	.....	32.98	192.73	1400.00	Franklin McDuffee.
Rollinsford, S. Falls,	40	75	50	.....	.....	15.00	39.50	.....	.....	54.50	1000.00	J. Knowlton.
Sanbornton,	89	152	100	.....	42.00	20.00	62.62	.....	68.06	192.68	680.00	Rev. M. T. Runnels.
Sandwich,	34	75	50	.....	14.00	.....	50.00	.....	.....	64.00		Wm. M. Weed.
" North,	20	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	Larkin French.
Somersw'th G. Falls,	160	275	150	$12.30	40.00	47.00	112.76	.....	75.00	287.06	2500.00	Geo. W. Janvrin.
Tamworth,	93	75	55	.....	26.00	.....	30.40	.....	5.50	61.90	587.00	Dea. James J. Chesley.
Wakefield,	50	80	45	.....	38.00	5.75	18.00	.....	30.70	92.45	830.00	Samuel W. Roberts, M.D
Wolfeborough,	80	130	83	11.00	62.86	10.00	28.00	$10.00	156.00	277.86	1300.00	Thomas Rust.
" North	21	30	20	.....	9.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.00	228.00	Thomas L. Whitton.
	1882	3000	1975	$23.30	$1638.79	$294.21	$2019.81	$10.00	1269.04	$5255.15	$26195.00	

*P. O. address, East Barrington, N. H.

VIII. SULLIVAN CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED NEWPORT, NOVEMBER 11, 1826.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1878.			Church Members, Jan. 1, 1878.				Admissions in 1877.			Removals in 1877.				Bapti'ms in 1877.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Acworth,	1773																
Charlestown,	1835	George H. Dunlap,	Aug. 23, 1877	Aug. 23, 1877	49	92	141	40	0	0	0	1	6	0	7	0	0
Claremont,	1770	Levi Rodgers,	Oct. 19, 1871	Oct. 19, 1871	12	33	45	11	1	4	5	0	2	0	2	0	0
Cornish,	1781	James T. Jackson,	Dec. 17, 1874	Dec. 17, 1874	69	165	234	25	22	8	30	5	6	0	11	10	2
Croydon,	1778				41	67	108	13	3	0	3	0	1	0	1	2	0
Goshen,	1802	Unite with Baptists	for two	years.	5	7	12	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Langdon,	1792	George F. Chapin.	Apr. 15, 1866	*A.p.* Apr. 1, 1873	5	20	25	2	1	0	1	1	3	0	4	1	0
Lempster,	1781				8	23	31	4	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	0
Newport,	1779	Ephraim E. P. Abbott,	May 6, 1868	Mar. 24, 1875	22	30	52	15	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	1
Plainfield,	1804	Lewis A. Austin.	June 26, 1862	*A.p.* May 1, 1876	81	168	249	47	3	5	8	5	0	0	5	3	6
" Meriden,	1780	Charles M. Palmer,	Dec. 8, 1868	Mar. 27, 1873	6	20	26	3	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	4	0
Washington,	1780				41	60	101	31	2	0	2	3	7	2	12	2	0
					2	14	16	2	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0
					341	699	1040	197	41	17	58	19	28	2	49	26	9

SULLIVAN CONFERENCE—*Continued.*

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. School.		Amount contributed in 1877.							Parish Expenses.	Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	College and Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.		
Acworth,	53	80	50	.....	$12.00	$18.00	$25.60	.....	$9.00	$64.60	$806.00	Hiram N. Hayward.
Charlestown.	57	78	65	.....	.....	10.24	4.50	.....	.....	14.74	735.50	Cephas Walker.
Claremont,	146	265	127	$14.24	204.15	35.26	208.28	.....	72.19	534.12	1700.00	Geo. P. Rossiter.
Cornish,	54	95	65	.....	219.35	12.10	36.00	.....	.....	267.45	755.12	Albert E. Wellman.
Croydon,	9	0	0	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	0.00	John Cooper.
Goshen,				.....	4.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.50		Solon B. Willey.
Langdon,	30	50	30	.....	.....	4.50	9.00	.....	.....	13.50	225.00	Rev. G. F. Chapin.
Lempster.	28	40	30	.....	17.50	13.00	16.88	.....	2.50	49.88	300.00	Rev. J. LeBosquet.
Newport,		275	112	.....	189.97	15.50	129.42	$9.32	25.00	369.31	1600.00	Arthur B. Chase.
Plainfield,	10	30	20	.....	5.50	32.00	25.00	.....	.....	62.50	130.00	Dea. W. O. Kenyon.
" Meriden,	60	140	78	.....	.....	21.40	40.00	.....	65.80	127.20	881.68	Nathan Barrows, M.D.
Washington,	32	35	25	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.00	222.00	Dea. Levi Harthon.
	478	1088	602	$14.24	$658.97	$162.10	$494.68	$9.32	$174.49	$1513.80	$7355.30	

SUMMARY. I.

CONF'RENCES.	Churches, Sept. 1, 1878.							Ministers, Sept. 1, 1878.					Church Members, Jan. 1, 1878.						Additions in 1878.			Removals in 1878.				Bapt'ms in 1878.	
	With Pastors.	With Acting Pastors.	Supplied by Licentiates, &c.	Not Supplied.	TOTAL.	Gain.	Loss.	Pastors.	Acting Pastors.	Others.	TOTAL.	Licentiates.	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.	Absent.	Gain.	Loss.	Profession.	Letter.	TOTAL.	Death.	Dismission.	Exclusion.	TOTAL.	Adult.	Infant.
Cheshire.	7	11	4	4	26	0	0	7	10	6	23	4	871	1855	2726	410	0	8	60	49	109	35	52	2	89	41	28
Coos,	2	5	1	3	11	1	0	2	4	0	6	0	205	484	689	101	66	0	74	26	100	10	15	0	25	44	8
Grafton,	8	7	1	4	20	0	1	8	7	14	29	3	656	1415	2071	472	0	23	74	33	107	43	46	3	92	43	23
Hillsboro',	13	9	5	7	34	0	0	14	9	13	36	3	1802	3915	5717	807	48	0	144	124	268	108	94	3	205	106	35
Merrimack,	7	12	2	4	25	0	0	8	12	9	29	1	921	1911	2832	449	0	19	86	42	128	50	51	0	101	46	10
Rockingham,	13	15	0	5	33	0	0	13	15	7	35	1	1092	2525	3617	564	0	2	102	49	151	71	51	0	122	72	28
Strafford,	9	14	2	6	31	0	0	9	14	4	27	2	706	1735	2441	491	162	0	167	43	210	41	42	2	85	136	34
Sullivan,	5	2	1	4	12	0	0	5	1	1	7	0	341	699	1040	197	0	33	41	17	58	19	28	2	49	26	9
TOTAL,	64	75	16	37	192	0	0	66	72	54	192	14	6594	14539	21133	3491	191	0	748	383	1131	377	379	12	768	514	175
Total, *Presb.*,	4	1	0	1	6	0	0	4	1		5		288	628	916	135	0	14	24	7	31	22	17	0	39	17	6
Total, *Cong.*,	60	74	16	37	186	0	0	62	71	54	187	14	6306	13911	20217	3356	177	0	724	376	1102	355	362	12	729	497	169

SUMMARY. II.

CONFERENCES.	Families in Parish.		Sabbath Schools.		Benevolent Contributions in 1877.										Parish Expenses.
	Churches Reporting.	Number.	Total.	Average.	Churches Reporting.	College and Education Society.	Home Missions.	American Missionary Association.	Foreign Missions.	Congregational Union.	All Others.	Total.	Gain.	Loss.	
Cheshire,	23	1705	3530	1992	26	$69.51	$1279.51	$1118.67	$1184.68	$43.40	$628.16	$4323.93	$1953.26	$0.00	$25345.32
Coos,	11	593	1023	693	10	14.40	120.67	89.26	210.91	1123.31	160.46	1719.01	1179.59	0.00	8105.89
Grafton,	19	1563	2125	1332	19	45.61	798.33	485.02	1254.23	13.00	571.40	3167.59	920.13	0.00	16539.13
Hillsboro',	33	3729	7322	4333	34	165.80	2505.25	905.34	3008.69	72.83	2894.37	9552.28	5277.94	0.00	39572.18
Merrimack,	20	1591	3376	2143	25	83.37	943.35	485.44	1813.24	277.87	972.42	4578.69	937.16	0.00	21782.71
Rockingham,	31	2286	3725	2498	33	125.60	1425.92	404.14	2500.77	48.26	1057.55	5562.30	1011.41	0.00	30309.32
Strafford,	28	1882	3000	1975	30	23.30	1638.79	294.21	2019.81	10.00	1269.04	5255.15	2816.60	0.00	26195.00
Sullivan,	10	478	1088	602	12	14.24	658.97	162.10	494.68	9.32	174.49	1513.80	578.10	0.00	7355.30
TOTAL,	175	13827	25189	15538	89	541.83	9370.79	3944.18	12487.01	1597.99	7725.89	35670.75	14674.19	0.00	175204.85
Total, *Presb.*,	6	610	1087	652	6	5.89	106.30	92.40	81.00	0.00	407.92	693.51	209.57	0.00	7057.07
Total, *Cong.*,	169	13217	24102	14886	169	535.94	9264.49	3851.78	12406.01	1597.99	7317.97	34977.24	14464.62	0.00	168147.78

CHANGES IN THE LIST OF CHURCHES.

From Sept. 1, 1877 to Sept. 1, 1878.

NEW CHURCH:

Coos Conference—Berlin, organized Nov. 22, 1878.

DROPPED FROM THE LIST:

Grafton Conference—Dorchester.

MINISTERIAL RECORD.

From Sept. 1, 1877 to Sept. 1, 1878.

LICENSES: None reported.

PASTORS ORDAINED:

1877. Sept. 12, William V. W. Davis, Franklin St. Church, Manchester.
Sept. 26, Fred Lyman Allen, Walpole.
Nov. 22, John N. Lowell, Milton.
1878. May 17, Isaac H. Libbey, Chatham (and Stowe).

ORDAINED WITHOUT INSTALLATION:

1878. May 8, James H. Pettee, at Manchester, as Missionary to Japan.
Aug. 21, Willis A. Hadley, at Rye.

PASTORS INSTALLED:

1877. Oct. 17, Jeremiah E. Fullerton, Laconia.
1878. Apr. 18, Charles E. Harrington, Concord, South Church.
June 7, John H. Hoffman, Henniker.

PASTORS DISMISSED:

1877. Sept. 8, George A. Foss, Chichester.
Oct. 18, S. Leroy Blake, Concord, South Church.
Oct. 30, Charles C. Watson, Hinsdale.
1878. Feb. 24, Hiram L. Kelsey, Hollis.
Feb. 26, Charles E. Harrington, Lancaster.
July 23, George Pierce, jr., Milford.

MINISTERS DECEASED, *in the State:*

Rev. JAMES MARSHALL, acting pastor at Troy. Born Glasgow, Scot., April 13, 1842; died Troy, March 5, 1878.

Rev. WILLIAM LIVINGSTON SIMPSON CLARK, acting pastor at Lyndeborough. Born Concord, —— —, 1814; died Milford, May 23, 1878.

Rev. NATHANIEL BOUTON, D.D., without charge. Born Norwalk, Conn., June 20, 1799; died Concord, June 6, 1878.

MINISTERS DECEASED, *out of the State*, who had once labored in New-Hampshire:

Rev. ALVAH CUSHMAN PAGE, died at Elgin, Ill., Sept. 1, 1877. Pastor at East Alstead, 1844–7.

Rev. DANA CLAYES, died at Wakefield, Mass., Oct. 30, 1877. Pastor at Meriden, 1821–37.

Rev. BENJAMIN ELLERY HALE, died at Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 4, 1878. Pastor at Chesterfield, 1842–7.

Rev. STEPHEN SARGEANT MORRILL, died at Danville, Vt., May 2, 1878. Acting pastor Hillsborough Bridge, 1866–9; pastor at Henniker, 1870–3.

Rev. EBENEZER NEWHALL, died at Cambridge, Mass., Aug. 15, 1878. Acting pastor at Chesterfield, 1852–4; pastor at Litchfield, 1854–62.

ACTING PASTORS, *acceded:*

1877. June 1, Anthony C. Hardy, *Methodist*, Boscawen.
June 1, William R. Tisdale, *Methodist*, Mason.
Aug. 1, Richard M. Burr, *Licentiate*, Dublin.
Sept. 1, Albert H. Martin, *Christian Baptist*, Salisbury.
Sept. 23, Ernest F. Borchers, Barrington.
Sept. 27, Nelson F. Cobleigh, Monroe.
Oct. 1, Alexander C. Childs, South Newmarket.
Oct. 1, James DeBuchananne, Dover, Belknap Church.
Oct. 1, Frederick V. D. Garretson, Fisherville.
Oct. 14, John W. Coolidge, *Methodist*, Hancock.
Oct. 28, Cary H. H. Pannell, Bethlehem.
Nov. 11, Ezra B. Pike, Northwood.
Dec. 2, Walter E. Darling, Farmington.

1878. Jan. 1, Willis A. Hadley, Rye.
Jan. 1, Henry Ketcham, Wolfeborough.
Jan. 1, Martin N. Root, *Licentiate*, Francistown.
March 18, Henry H. Hamilton, Hinsdale.
April 1, John F. Bassett, Temple.
May 1, Albert E. Hall, *Licentiate*, Sandwich.
May 1, Charles E. Sumner, Lancaster.
May 10, John F. Aiken, Chichester.
May 12, Edwin L. Jaggar, Bristol.
May 12, Charles H. Taintor, *Licentiate*, South Weare.
June 1, George A. Perkins, Raymond.
June 1, Daniel Phillips, Bath.
June 1, Thomas W. Darling, *Licentiate*, Nelson and East Sullivan.
June 9, George W. Christie, Salmon Falls.
June 9, William W. Livingston, Jaffrey.
June 30, Charles H. Taintor, *Licentiate*, Deering.
July 1, James P. Stone, Dalton.
July 14, George A. Beckwith, Warner.
Aug. 1, Horace Parker, New Ipswich.

ACTING PASTORS RETIRED:

1877. Sept. 9, James H. Leavitt, *Licentiate*, Chatham (and Stow, Me.)

1877. Sept. 30, Nathaniel S. Moore, Hancock.
Oct. 15, Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D., Derry, First Church.
Oct. 31, Benjamin F. Grant, Newcastle.
Nov. 16, Benjamin Labaree, D.D., Acworth.
Dec. 16, Henry H. Colburn, Washington.
Dec. 23, Willis A. Hadley, *Licentiate*, Newington.
Dec. 31, George W. Kinne, Bath.

1878. March 15, Bela N. Seymour, New Ipswich.
March 31, John F. Bassett, Jaffrey.
March 31, George A. Beckwith, Franconia.
March 31, William L. S. Clark, Temple.
March 31, Samuel S. Drake, Sullivan.
April 16, Lincoln Harlow, Lyndeborough.
April 30, John S. Batchelder, Hampton.
April 30, John LeBosquet, Lempster.
April 30, A. Burton Palmer, South Weare and Deering.
April 30, George J. Pierce, Wentworth.
April 30, Charles E. Sumner, Raymond.
April 30, Albert E. Hall, *Licentiate*, Dalton.
April 30, John M. Hart, *Licentiate*, Bristol.
May 5, Leonard W. Harris, Colebrook.
May 31, John Bragdon, New Boston.
May 31, Charles L. Tomblen, Gilmanton Iron Works.
June 30, William S. Bugbey, West Stewartstown.
Aug. 11, Justus N. Brown, Wilton.

LIST OF TOWNS

WHERE THERE HAVE BEEN CONGREGATIONAL OR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES, WHICH ARE NO LONGER BORNE UPON THE ROLL, THE SAME BEING PRACTICALLY OR REALLY EXTINCT.

Those towns where churches now exist, though others within their limits may have become extinct, are not reported in this list.

	Organized.	*Became extinct or last reported.*		*Organized.*	*Became extinct or last reported.*
Alexandria,	1788	1841	Orange,	1828	1832
Bridgewater,	1818	1873	Sandown,	1759	
Danville,	1763	?	Sharon,	1835	1838
Dorchester,	1828	1877	South Hampton,	1743	1827
East Kingston,	1739	1813(?)	Springfield,	1820	1836
Gosport,	1639(?)	1826	Stark,	1810	1831
Lyman,	1814	1835	Sunapee,	1819	1829
Marlow,	1823	1833	Thornton,	1780	1875
New Durham,	1773(?)	1777	Tuftonborough,	1806(?)	1871
New Hampton,	1800	1839	Unity,	1819	1842
Newton,	1759(?)	1791	Whitefield,	1826	1847

MINISTERS,

CONGREGATIONAL OR PRESBYTERIAN, RESIDING IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE, OTHER THAN THOSE SUPPLYING CHURCHES OR MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATIONS IN THIS STATE. POST OFFICE ADDRESS WILL BE FOUND IN ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS.

Name.	*Ordained.*	*Name.*	*Ordained.*
Alden, Lucius,	Sept. 29, 1825.	Lee, Samuel,	Nov. 4, 1830.
Blanchard, Silas M.,	Oct. 27, 1853.	Marden, Henry,	Sept. 2, 1869.
Ela, Benjamin,	May 29, 1841.	Pulsifer, Daniel,	Jan. 20, 1835.
Hall, Jeffries,	June 5, 1833.	Sawyer, Daniel,	May 13, 1846.
Jameson, Thomas,	June 24, 1825.	Seabury, Edwin,	June 18, 1840.
Jennison, Edwin,	Aug. 17, 1831.	Smith, John C.,	Sept. 29, 1841.

LIST OF MISSIONARIES

OF THE A. B. C. F. M. WHOSE AMERICAN HOME IS IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

Names.	*N. H. Home.*	*Mission Field.*
Barrows, Rev. John O.,	Exeter.	Constantinople, Western Turkey.
Barrows, Mrs. Clara S.,	Exeter.	Constantinople, Western Turkey.
Carey, Mrs. Ellen E.,	Nashua.	Japan.
Cole, Rev. Royal M.,	Stark.	Erzroom, Eastern Turkey.
Cole, Mrs. Lizzie C.,	Littleton.	Erzroom, Eastern Turkey.
Emerson, Mrs. Ursula S.,	Nelson.	Waialua, Hawaiian Isles.
Hartwell, Mrs. Lucy E.,	New Ipswich.	Nantai, Foochow.
Herrick, Mrs. Hellen M.,	Meriden.	Constantinople, Western Turkey.
Johnson, Mrs. Lois S.,	Warner.	Waioli, Hawaiian Isles.
Locke, Rev. William E.,	New Ipswich.	Samokov, European Turkey.
Locke, Mrs. Zoe A. M.,	Westmoreland.	Samokov, European Turkey.
Marden, Rev. Henry,	New Boston.	Aintab, Central Turkey.
Osgood, Dauphin W., M.D.,	Nelson.	Nantai, Foochow.
Pettee, Rev. James H.,	Manchester.	Japan.
Price, Miss Martha E.,	Gilmanton.	Umzumbi, Zulu Land.
Whitney, Henry T., M.D.,	Milford.	Shoo-wu, Foochow.
Whitney, Mrs. Lurie A.,	Milford.	Shoo-wu, Foochow.

INDEX OF ALL THE CITIES AND TOWNS

IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE, AND OF SUCH PARTS OF TOWNS AS HAVE DISTINCT NAMES, WHERE THERE ARE CONGREGATIONAL OR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES, WITH THE PAGE UPON WHICH THIR STATISTICS MAY BE FOUND.

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Andover, East,	Merrimack,	50-1
Antrim,	Hillsboro',	48-9
Atkinson,	Rockingham,	52-3
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Barnstead North,	Strafford,	54-5
" Parade,	"	54-5
Barrington,	"	54-5
Bath.	Grafton,	46-7
Bedford,	Hillsboro',	48-9
Bennington,	"	48-9
Berlin,	Coos,	44-5
Bethlehem,	"	44-5
Boscawen,	Merrimack,	50-1
Bradford,	"	50-1
Brentwood,	Rockingham,	52-3
Bristol,	Grafton,	46-7
Brookline,	Hillsboro',	48-9
Campton,	Grafton,	46-7
Canaan,	"	46-7
Candia,	Rockingham,	52-3
Canterbury,	Merrimack,	50-1
Center Harbor,	Strafford,	54-5
Charlestown,	Sullivan,	56-7
Chatham,	Coos,	44-5
Chester,	Rockingham,	52-3
Chesterfield,	Cheshire,	42-3
Chichester,	Merrimack,	50-1
Claremont,	Sullivan,	56-7
Colebrook,	Coos,	44-5
Concord, First,	Merrimack,	50-1
" West,	"	50-1
" South,	"	50-1
" East,	"	50-1
Conway, North,	Strafford,	54-5
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Croydon,	"	56-7
Dalton,	Coos,	44-5
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Enfield,	Grafton,	46-7
Epping,	Rockingham,	52-3
Epsom,	Merrimack,	50-1
Exeter, 1st,	Rockingham,	52-3
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Farmington,	Strafford,	54-5
Fisherville,	Merrimack,	50-1
Fitzwilliam,	Cheshire,	42-3
Francestown,	Hillsboro',	48-9
Franconia,	Grafton,	46-7
Franklin,	Merrimack,	50-1
Gilmanton, East,	Strafford,	54-5
" Center,	"	54-5
" Iron Works,	"	54-5
Gilsum,	Cheshire,	42-3
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Goshen.	Sullivan,	56-7
Great Falls,	(See Somersworth)	54-5
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Groton,	Grafton.	46-7
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Hancock,	Hillsboro',	48-9
Hanover, Dart. Col.,	Grafton,	46-7
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Harrisville,	Cheshire,	42-3
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Littleton,	Coos,	44-5
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Milford,	"	48-9
Milton,	Strafford,	54-5
" Mills,	"	54-5
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Nashua, First,	Hillsboro',	48-9
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Pittsfield,	Merrimack,	50-1
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Salisbury,	Merrimack,	50-1
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NAMES

OF CONGREGATIONAL AND PRESBYTERIAN MINISTERS RESIDENT IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE, IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, WITH THE POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF EACH, AND WITH THE CONFERENCE OR ASSOCIATION, OR BOTH, WITH WHICH EACH ONE IS CONNECTED.

Names preceded by a * are those neither serving churches, nor connected with Associations.

Name.	*Post Office.*	*Conference.*	*Association.*
Abbott, Ephraim E. P.,	Newport.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Adams, John,	Hillsboro' Center.	Hillsboro'.	Union & W. R.
Aiken, James.	Haverhill.		Orange.
Aiken. John F.,	Chichester.	Merrimack.	
*Alden, Lucius,	Newcastle.		
Aldrich, Jeremiah K.,	Nashua.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Allen. Frederic L.,	Walpole.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Alvord, Frederick,	Nashua.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Austin, Lewis A.,	Meriden.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Ayer, Franklin D.,	Concord.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Bard, George I.,	Meredith Village.	Strafford.	Belknap.
Barker, Nathaniel,	Wakefield.		Harmony.
Bartlett, Sam'l C., D.D.,	Hanover.		White River.
Bassett. John F.,	Temple.	Hillsboro'.	Monadnock.
Beckwith. George A.,	Warner.	Merrimack.	
Benedict, Artlur J.,	Gorham.	Coos.	
Benson. Almon,	Center Harbor.		Belknap.
Berry. Augustus.	Pelham.	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
Bittinger, John Q.,	Haverhill.	Grafton,	Orange.
Blake, Jeremiah, M.D.,	Gilmanton I. W.		Suncook.
Blake, Joseph. D.D.,	Gilmanton.	Strafford.	Belknap.
Blakely, Quincy,	Campton.	Grafton.	Belknap.
*Blanchard, Silas M.,	Hudson.		
Borchers, Ernest F.,	Barrington.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Bowker, Samuel,	Salem.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Bragdon, John,	New Boston.		Union.
Bremner, David,	*Boxford, Mass.*	Rockingham.	
Brickett, Harry,	Hillsboro' Bridge.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Burnham, Abraham,	East Concord.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Burr, Austin H.,	Franklin.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Butler, Edward P.,	Lyme.	Grafton.	Orange.
Buxton, Edward,	Webster.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Byington, Swift,	Exeter.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
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Chandler, Frederic D.,	Kensington.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Chapin, George F.,	Alstead.	Chesh. & Sul.	Monadnock.
Chapman, Jacob,	Kingston.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Childs, Alexander C.,	So. Newmarket.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
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Clark, Frank G.,	Rindge.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Clark, John.	Plymouth.		Belknap.
Clark, Sumner,	Wolfeboro'.		Piscataqua.
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Cochrane, Warren R.,	Antrim.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Cogswell, Eliot C.,	Northwood.	Merrimack.	
Colbur n, Henry H.,	Stoddard.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Colby, John,	Fitzwilliam.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Colwell, John W.,	West Concord.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Conant, Liba,	Bristol.		Belknap.
Connell, David,	Plymouth.		Belknap.
Cook, Jonathan B.,	Hebron.		Merrimack.
Curtice, Corban,	Tilton.		Merrimack.
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OF CONGREGATIONAL AND PRESBYTERIAN MINISTERS RESIDENT IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE, IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, WITH THE POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF EACH, AND WITH THE CONFERENCE OR ASSOCIATION, OR BOTH, WITH WHICH EACH ONE IS CONNECTED.

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Allen, Frederic L.,	Walpole.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Alvord, Frederick,	Nashua.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
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Bard, George I.,	Meredith Village.	Strafford.	Belknap.
Barker, Nathaniel,	Wakefield.		Harmony.
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Connell, David,	Plymouth.		Belknap.
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Darling, Walter E.,	Farmington.	Strafford.	

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Davis, Wm. V. W.,	Manchester,	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
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Drake, Samuel S.,	Sullivan.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
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Eastman, Edward P.,	Ossipee Center.	Strafford.	
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Goodwin, Daniel,	Mason.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
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Haines, Thomas V.,	Northampton.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
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Haley, John W.,	*Tyngsboro', Mass.*	Hillsboro'.	
*Hall, Jeffries,	Chesterfield.		
Hamilton, Henry H.,	Hinsdale.	Cheshire.	
Harmon, Elijah,	Winchester.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Harrington, Chas. E.,	Concord.	Merrimack.	
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Haskins, Robert W.,	Derry.	Rockingham.	Derry.
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Holman, Morris,	Antrim.		Union.
Holmes, James,	Bennington.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
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Hubbard, Charles L.,	Reed's Ferry.	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
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Jenness, George O.,	Wakefield.	Strafford.	
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Jessup, Henry G.,	Hanover.		White River.
Jewett, William R.,	Concord.		Merrimack.
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Ketcham, Henry,	Wolfeboro'.	Strafford.	
Kinne, George W.,	Bath.		Sullivan.
Knowlton, Francis B.,	Orford.	Grafton.	Orange.
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Larry, John H.,	Wilmot.	Merrimack.	
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Leach, Joseph A.,	Keene.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
LeBosquet, John,	Newport.		Sullivan
*Lee, Samuel,	New Ipswich.		
Leeds, Samuel P., D.D.,	Hanover.	Grafton.	White River.
Lees, John W.,	Lee.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Libbey, Isaac H.,	Chatham.	Coos.	
Livingston, William W.,	Jaffrey.	Cheshire.	
Longee, Samuel F.,	Danbury.	Grafton.	
Lowell, John N.,	Milton.	Strafford.	
Manning, Abel,	Goffstown.		Sullivan.
Marden, Augustus L.,	Piermont.	Grafton.	Orange.
McClenning, Daniel,	East Concord.		Mer. & Union.
Melvin, Charles T.,	Atkinson.	Rockingham.	Derry.
Merriam, George F.,	Greenville.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Merrill, John L.,	Marlboro'.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.

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Milliken, Charles E.,	Littleton.	Coos.	Orange.
Moody, Howard,	East Andover.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Norcross, S. Girard,	North Conway.	Strafford.	
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Otis, Israel T.,	Exeter.		Piscataqua.
Packard, Charles,	Windham.	Rockingham.	Derry.
Packard, William A., PH.D.,	Hanover.		White River.
Page, Jesse,	Atkinson.		Derry.
Palmer, Charles M.,	Meriden.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Pannell, Carey H. H.,	Bethlehem.	Coos.	
Parker, Henry, E., D.D.,	Hanover.		White River.
Parker, Horace,	*Shirley, Mass.*	Hillsboro',	
Partridge, Sam'l H., M.D.,	Greenfield.	Hillsboro'.	Union.
Patten, William A.,	Kingston.		Piscataqua.
Peabody, Albert B.,	Stratham.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Perkins, Frederic T.,	Tilton.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Perkins, George A.,	Raymond.	Rockingham.	
Pert, Luther B.,	Londonderry.	Rockingham.	
Perry, Cyrus M.,	Pembroke.	Merrimack.	Merrimack.
Phillips, Daniel,	Bath.	Grafton.	
Pike, Ezra B.,	Northwood.	Rockingham.	
Pratt, Theodore C.,	Orfordville.	Grafton.	Orange.
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Richardson, Gilbert B.,	East Alstead.	Cheshire.	Monadnock.
Roberts, Thomas E.,	Keene.		Monadnock.
Robie, Edward,	Greenland.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Rodgers, Levi,	Claremont.	Sullivan.	Sullivan.
Roke, Elijah J.,	Newington.	Rockingham.	
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Runnels, Moses T.,	Sanbornton.	Strafford.	Belknap.
Sargent, Frank D.,	Brookline.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
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Sawin, Theophilus P.,	Lyndeboro'.	Hillsboro',	
*Sawyer, Daniel,	Hopkinton.		
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Scott, George H.,	Plymouth.	Grafton.	Belknap.
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Selden, Edward G.,	Manchester.	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
Seymour, Bela N.,	New Ipswich.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.
Shattuck, Amos F.,	Hollis.		Hollis.
Smith, George,	Hanover Center.	Grafton.	
*Smith, John C.,	Winchester.		
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Stone, Edward P.,	Center Harbor.	Strafford.	Merrimack.
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Street, George E.,	Exeter.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
Sumner, Charles E.,	Lancaster.	Coos.	
Talbot, Henry L.,	Durham.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Tappan, Charles L.,	Sandwich.		Belknap.
Tenney, Charles,	Chester.	Rockingham.	Derry.
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Thurston, Henry W. L.,	Harrisville.	Cheshire.	Sullivan.
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Tyson, Ira C.,	Bedford.	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
Wallace, Cyrus W., D.D.,	Manchester.	Hillsboro'.	Derry.
Watson, Albert,	Hampstead.	Rockingham.	Derry.
Webb, Stephen W.,	Great Falls.	Strafford.	Piscataqua.
Wells, James,	Dunbarton.	Merrimack.	
Wetherby, Charles,	Nashua.	Hillsboro',	Hollis.
White, Isaac C.,	Newmarket.	Rockingham.	Piscataqua.
White, Lyman,	Deerfield.	Rockingham.	Merrimack.
Willey, Isaac,	Pembroke.		Merrimack.
Wood, Horace,	Gilsum.		Monadnock.
Woodwell, William H.,	Mont Vernon.	Hillsboro'.	Hollis.

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Barrows, John O.,	Western Turkey.	Piscataqua.
Bartlett, Joseph,	Gorham, Me.	Piscataqua.
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Brown, Justus N.,	Charlotte, Mich.	Hollis.
Bullard, Ebenezer W.,	Stockbridge, Mass.	Derry.
Burbank. Justin E.,		Monadnock.
Clark, Edward W.,	Westboro', Mass.	Sullivan.
Foss, George O.,	Pawlet, Vt.	Merrimack.
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Gould, Mark,	Ashburnham, Mass.	Monadnock.
Harris, Leonard E.,	Lewiston, Me.	Lancaster.
Keeler, Seth H., D.D.,	Somerville, Mass.	Hollis.
Martin, Sanford S.,	Terre Haute, Ind.	Hollis.
Palmer, A. Burton,	Saratoga. Cal.	Derry.
Parsons, Ebenzer G.,	Byfield, Mass.	Derry.
Pierce, George Jr.,	North Andover.	Hollis.
Richards, Austin, D.D.,	Boston.	Hollis.
Robie, Thomas S.,	Winchendon, Mass.	Monadnock & Hollis.
Smith, Isaiah P.,	Centerville, Mass.	Piscataqua.
Tenny, Erdix, D.D.,	Westboro', Mass.	Orange.
Watson, Charles C.,	Wareham, Mass.	Monadnock.

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Name.	*Residence.*	*Licensed.*	*Association.*
Bartlett, Frederick H.,	Bristol.	July, 1872.	Merrimack.
Burr, Richard M.,	Dublin.	June 13, 1876.	*Andover, Me.*
Darling, Thomas W.,	Nelson.	May 1, 1877.	*N.H., West, Ct.*
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Hall, Albert E.,	Sandwich.	Feb. 2, 1875.	Orange.
Kimball, Joseph,	Plaistow.	July 15, 1863.	Derry.
Mills, Frank E.,	*Pepperell, Mass.*	June 6, 1877.	Derry.
Parker, Francis,	Enfield.	June 23, 1874.	*Andover, Me.*
Rand, Lyman F.	Keene.	May, 1873.	Monadnock.
Root, Martin N., M.D.,	Francestown.	Nov. 3, 1858.	*Windham, Vt.*
Sampson, Cassander C.,	Troy.	June 12, 1877.	*Andover, Me.*
Sanborn, Edwin D., LL.D.,	Hanover.	Nov. 1, 1836.	White River.
Sawyer, Aaron W.,	Nashua.	May 6, 1873.	Hollis.
Taintor, Charles H.,	South Weare.	May 20, 1877.	*Penobscot, Me.*
Tenney, Leonard B.,	*Barre, Vt.*	June 5, 1877.	Derry.
Walker, Isaac, A.M.,	Pembroke.	July 7, 1874.	Merrimack.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

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PRESENTED AT THE

ANNIVERSARY MEETING AT CONCORD,

SEPTEMBER 12, 1878.

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CONSTITUTION OF THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ARTICLE 1. This society shall be styled the NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ART. 2. The object of this society shall be to assist churches and congregations that are unable to support the gospel ministry, and to send missionaries to destitute towns and places in New-Hampshire, and also to co-operate with and aid the American Home Missionary Society in the work of home missions throughout the United States.

ART. 3. There shall annually be chosen, of the members of the Society resident in the State, a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, and nine Trustees, one third of whom to be chosen triennially, at least one third of whom shall be laymen, the seats of one third of whom to be vacated each year and filled by a new election. All elections shall be made by ballot, and the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer shall be trustees, *ex-officiis*.

ART. 4. It shall be the duty of the President, and, in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, and in the absence of the Vice Presidents, the oldest man of the Trustees present, to preside at all meetings of the society and the Trustees, five of whom shall constitute a quorum.

ART. 5. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the society and of the Trustees; to keep a true record of the transactions of the society and of the Trustees; to fill out commissions for missionaries and certificates of life members; to draw orders upon the Treasurer for all moneys appropriated by the Trustees, and to make an annual report to the society of the proceedings of the Trustees, and of their executive committee.

ART. 6. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the society; to lease and convey by deed any real estate belonging to the society, when directed by the Trustees or their Executive Committee, and to exhibit annually an audited account of the state of the treasury, and also to exhibit his books at other times, when requested by any member of the society or contributor to its funds. He shall give bonds to such an amount as the Trustees or their committee may require.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of the Trustees to hold annual

and semi-annual meetings, and also special meetings when called by the Executive Committee; to make appropriations of money; to appoint missionaries—sound, pious, able and discreet men; to adopt such measures as they may judge important to promote the financial and general interests of the society, and to make, through the Secretary, an annual report of their doings to the society. Immediately after the annual meeting of the society they shall appoint an Executive Committe of their number, consisting of five, including the Secretary. This committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings; to fill its own vacancies from the Trustees, or vacancies in the board of officers which may occur between the annual meetings of the society; to appoint missionaries, make appropriations, and to transact all other business which may be necessary during the intervals of the annual and semi-annual meetings of the Trustees.

ART. 8. The society shall meet annually, on Thursday, the third day of the meeting of the General Association, at 10 o'clock A.M., or at such time and at such place as the society may have appointed at the preceding annual meeting. The society shall meet annually for business, at some day and hour previous to the time of public exercises, appointed and duly notified by the Executive Committee.

ART. 9. Any person may become a member of the society by paying two dollars as an annual subscriber, or a life member by paying thirty dollars; and every member, except life members, shall pay two dollars annually, until he or she shall signify, in writing, a wish to withdraw. All ministers, whose churches contribute annually to the funds of the society, shall be members for the time being. No member who shall neglect to pay his annual subscription, or who shall have removed from the State, shall be authorized to vote in the meetings of the society. All life male members shall have the right to vote in the meetings of the society.

ART. 10. Every minister of the gospel, statedly laboring in this State, and in regular standing with the Congregational or Presbyterian churches, shall be considered as an agent of this society, to invite the attention of his hearers, at least once a year, to its objects, and to receive donations, subscriptions and contributions to its funds, and transmit them to its Treasurer, or its authorized agents.

ART. 11. All questions before the society shall be determined by a majority of the members present, excepting amendments of the constitution, which shall require the concurrence of two thirds of the members present, besides having been proposed a year beforehand for consideration, or recommended by the Trustees.

RULES OF THE SOCIETY.

Every feeble church, soliciting aid of the NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY, should make application to the Trustees by a committee (not by a minister) duly authorized. The application should be made as near as possible to the time when the contract for ministerial labor commences, should be certified by the local Conference committee, or by two or three neighboring ministers, and should answer the following questions:

1. Name and location of the church?
2. Name of the minister employed, and date of contract?
3. Number of resident members of the church?
4. Number of families represented in the congregation?
5. The usual attendance upon public worship?
6. Amount of taxable property in the church, including government bonds and all securities not taxed to the owner?*
7. Amount of such property owned by those who are members of the congregation but not of the church?
8. Amount subscribed for preaching by members of the church?
9. Amount so subscribed by persons not members of the church?
10. Amount of aid expected from friends and other sources outside of the above subscriptions?
11. Has the church a parsonage not included in the above statement?
12. What is the least amount of aid with which preaching can be sustained?
13. Is the church or religious society in debt? If so, to what extent and for what purpose?

*The answer to this question should include bank, railroad, United States and all other stocks, as far as can be ascertained.

The Trustees will not be expected to continue aid to any feeble church or religious society that does not promptly discharge all pecuniary liabilities for the support of the ministry. No church or minister can enjoy the patronage of this society that is not essentially sound in the doctrines and ordinances of the gospel, as held and practiced by the Orthodox Congregational and Presbyterian churches of New England, or does not practically favor the cause of temperance. No appropriation will be made retrospectively to feeble churches, to defray the expenses of ministers not in commission, nor for the support of ministers who do not devote their whole time to the work of the ministry, for the benefit of the people to whom they minister. *No missionary can receive his order on the Treasurer until he makes a return of service for the full time of labor specified in his commission. Every missionary who shall neglect to make his annual statistical report by the fifth of August, without satisfactory reasons, shall forfeit his appropriation.*

Every feeble church must renew its application for aid according to the above rules, so long as aid shall be needed.

It is very desirable that all churches receiving aid should so arrange their ministerial contracts that the year may commence with the year of the Missionary Society, which is the 15th day of August, so that all applications for renewals of grants may be made at that time, as the Trustees can then act on all such applications at their annual meeting.

Every renewed application for aid must report every particular above required, and not make any such references as "the same as last year," &c. The failure to state all required particulars occasions great inconvenience and often expense and delay.

No church shall receive aid that does not pay at least one and one quarter per cent. on the dollar of its ratable property, that is $12.50 on $1000. The Trustees, however, will exercise discretionary power to vary this, where circumstances shall seem to demand it. As the salaries of our missionaries are inadequate to their support, the Trustees will co-operate with those churches in increasing their ministers' salaries, which will increase their own subscription for his support to 1½ per cent. on their ratable property.

As the Missionary Society is a party concerned, no church under its patronage shall dismiss its pastor without the knowledge and consent of the Trustees or the Executive Committee.

The Trustees, at their annual meeting in Manchester, in 1864, raised the percentage rule from one per cent. to one and one quarter per cent. on the dollar of ratable property. They also added as a standing rule to the above, not to appropriate aid separately to churches so situated that they might conveniently unite in the support of one minister.

RULES FOR MISSIONARY RETURNS.

Missionaries to transmit their statistical returns to the Secretary annually by the fifth of August. Those who report quarterly shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasurer. Semi-annual reports shall have semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an annual report on or before the fifth of August, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the society, unless sufficient excuse can be rendered.

In the annual report, definite answers to the following questions are required: namely,

1. Your full name?

2. Name of the church or churches, and of all stations regularly supplied by you?

3. Number of families usually represented in each congregation?

4. Average congregation in each?

5. Amount of your stipulated salary, and is it promptly paid?

6. Has the church a parsonage?—if so, is the rent included in the above, and to what amount?

7. What proportion of the salary is paid by members of the church? What from funds or sources outside of the parish?

8. Number of hopeful conversions during the year?

9. Number of resident members in each church—male, female; non-resident?

10. Number added to each church during the year—by profession; by letter?

11. Number removed from each church—by death; by dismission; by exclusion?

12. Whole number in Sabbath School?

13. Amount contributed to N. H. Missionary Society? To other benevolent objects?

14. Number of Sabbath Schools sustained and meetings held in neighborhoods remote from the church, with a statement of attendance and results?

15. General remarks, including such topics as, special encouragements and discouragements; peculiarities and special demands of the field; methods and results of labor, etc.

NOTICES.

All communications intended for the Trustees, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the society, may be addressed to Rev. E. H. Greeley, Concord, N. H.

☞*All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the society*, may be made to Hon. Lyman D. Stevens, Concord, N. H.

The Home Missionary, published monthly by the American Home Missionary Society, Bible House, Astor Place, New York, is sent gratuitously to *life members*, *missionaries*, and auxiliary associations of *either society;* to all pastors whose congregation contributes any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors, and to each donor of $10 annually, who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made to the Treasurer, who is agent for the distribution of *The Home Missionary* for New-Hampshire.

☞*All money contributed to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, which is not imperatively needed for the work in the State, is sent to the Treasury of the American Home Missionary.*

Money contributed within the State, for the Sunday School department of the work of the American Home Missionary Society may be sent to the Treasurer, at Concord, who will at once forward it to the treasury at New York.

All applications for aid, and returns of missionaries, to be made to the Secretary. The regular meetings of the Executive Committee occur on the third Tuesday of October, January, April and July. *It is earnestly desired that all applications for aid be sent to the Secretary previous to those meetings.*

Missionaries are reminded that reports are expected quarterly, and an annual report, made out up to Aug. 1, as soon as may be after that date. *All* the questions of the blanks are to be *fully* answered. Remittances are not made until full reports are received.

Applications for aid should contain full and careful answers to all the questions proposed, *and should be renewed at the expiration of the time for which the missionary is commissioned, if his further services are desired.* All applications should be promptly made. The Trustees will not feel bound to make appropriations for services rendered before the application is made.

The payment of $30 into its treasury entitles the person named by the donor to become a life member of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, or, if preferred, of the American Home Missionary Society, and, *in either case*, to receive the *Home Missionary.*

Orders on the Treasury to be drawn by the Secretary.

The semi-annual meeting of the Trustees is to be at Concord, Tuesday before the first Wednesday in June.

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I give to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society the sum of dollars, for the purpose of said Society, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Important legacies have been lost to the Society through inattention to its legal name.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The seventy-seventh Annual Meeting of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society was held in the South Congregational Church in Concord, September 12th, 1878; the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. W. Hubbell.

An abstract of the Annual Report of the Trustees was read by the Secretary and it was voted that the Report be accepted and printed.

The Treasurer presented his Annual Report which was accepted and ordered to be printed.

The following Resolution, moved by Rev. G. B. Spalding, D.D., was, after a very spirited and earnest discussion, unanimously adopted, viz.:—

Resolved, That, while we recognize in the recent munificent legacy to this Society, a clear, providential call to an enlargement and a more vigorous prosecution of our work in the State, we also hail in it an opportunity for our churches to do more for the great National Home Missionary work, and we earnestly recommend that all contributions in the State to the cause of Home Missions be sent, in the first instance, to the treasury of the State Society, to the end that a portion of every contribution may go to the aid of the National work, so that the privilege, the inspiration and the joy of that, as well as of the work in the State, may be shared alike by all.

On motion of Rev. F. D. Ayer, it was voted to rescind the 3d in the series of resolutions adopted Oct. 24, 1873.

On motion, the chair appointed Rev. Geo. E. Street, Rev. J. L. Merrill and Rev. I. C. White a committee to nominate officers for the year ensuing. This committee reported the following, who were duly elected: viz.,

Rev. SAMUEL C. BARTLETT, D.D., *President.*

Hon. J. E. SARGENT, Concord; JOHN BRACEWELL, Esq., Dover, and Dea. W. P. KIMBALL, Portsmouth, *Vice-Presidents.*

Rev. E. H. GREELEY, Concord, *Secretary.*

Hon. L. D. STEVENS, Concord, *Treasurer.*

Hon. JOHN KIMBALL, and GEO. E. JENKS, Esq., Concord, *Auditors.*

Hon. DEXTER RICHARDS, Newport; Rev. W. R. JEWETT, Concord, and Rev. GEO. H. SCOTT, Plymouth, Trustees for three years.

Voted: That the same order be taken relative to the printing and circulation of the Annual Report as last year.

Voted: That the next Annual Meeting be held in connection with the meeting of the General Association, at a time and place assigned by the Committee of Arrangements of the Association.

Adjourned.

TRUSTEES.

The Trustees of the Society are the following: viz., the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, *ex-officiis.*

Elected in 1878.

Hon. DEXTER RICHARDS, Newport.
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Rev. F. D. AYER, Concord.
Rev. QUINCY BLAKELY, Campton.
Hon. C. R. MORRISON, Manchester.

Elected in 1876.

Rev. FREDERIC ALVORD, Nashua.
Rev. GEO. B. SPALDING, Dover.
Hon. R. L. FRENCH, Pittsfield.

The Executive Committee for the ensuing year, are:

Rev. WILLIAM R. JEWETT, Concord.
Rev. F. D. AYER, Concord.
Rev. FREDERIC ALVORD, Nashua.
Hon. L. D. STEVENS, Concord.
Rev. E. H. GREELEY, Concord.

NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

The year under review has been unusually quiet and uneventful. Death has not invaded the ranks of our workers, and nothing has occurred to attract special attention. Not a little faithful labor has been performed in sowing the good seed, and in patient spiritual culture, labor whose results only the great day of revelation will fully disclose; very earnest, in some cases heroic, efforts have been put forth by churches struggling with the embarrassments common to a period of business depression, and weakened and disheartened by the constant drain upon the youth who should be their strength and hope, to sustain still the institutions of the Gospel. Never, perhaps, was the desire and the purpose to do this at whatever sacrifice more strongly manifested. There have not been wanting manifest tokens of the Divine presence and blessing in our work, for which devout thanksgiving is due, while yet the year has not been characterized by so abundant visible fruits as some that have preceded it.

The death of Dr. N. Bouton, so long an active and influential Trustee, and for six years President of the Society, severs one of the last links which connect us with the men of his generation, under whose fostering care it was so largely that the Society was guided into the place and work which it has permanently assumed, while it forcibly reminds us how surely and quickly, even in the case of what we reckon a long life, the night cometh in which no man can work.

SUMMARY AND RESULTS OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

The number of churches and stations aided in the year has been fifty-two, and the number of missionaries employed, forty-four. Twenty-two of these labored throughout the entire year, and twenty-two for periods of from two to eleven months each.

Seven occupied each two or more fields. The aggregate of missionary labor performed was thirty-six years. The number of fields occupied is one less than last year; the number of missionaries employed, one less, and the aggregate of missionary labor performed, one-half year less. Forty-five churches report an average congregation of eighty-one each, somewhat less than last year, though still considerably more than the general average of missionary congregations. Forty-two churches report two thousand and fifty-three members, an average of forty-nine and one half each. Of these one thousand, seven hundred and thirty-three, an average of forty-one, are resident. The same churches report eighty additions by profession and fifty-five by letter, an aggregate of one hundred and thirty-five; and thirty-five removals by dismission, twenty-eight by death and one by exclusion, an aggregate of sixty-four; leaving a net gain of seventy-one. Twenty-six churches report benevolent contributions to the N. H. Missionary Society of $396.71, and to other objects of $942.12, an increase of more than seventy-five per cent. over last year.

We deem it an occasion of special gratitude to God that, in a year of so severe and general pecuniary depression, there should be so little falling off in the number of feeble churches sustaining the institutions of the Gospel, and in the amount of work accomplished. The fact evinces a courage and determination, as well as a Divine inspiration and leading, which are full of hope for the future of these churches and of the cause in the State. In this respect, if in no other, the year has been one of marked favor and prosperity.

THE TREASURY.

There have been received into the treasury during the year, in donations from churches and individuals, $4,393.27; in legacies, $2,190.83; from the New-Hampshire Cent Institution, $2,327, and from Permanent Fund and miscellaneous sources, $187.20; making a total of $9,098.30. Of this amount, donations to the amount of $677.94, and legacies to the amount of $100—$777.94 in all, have, by direction of the donors, been sent to the American Home Missionary Society at New York, leaving $8,320.36 for use in the State. In addition to this, there have been sent from the State, directly to the A. H. M. Society, in donations,

$902.28, and in legacies, $3,524.75,—in all, $4,427.03, making a total contributed to home missions from the State, of $13,525.-33. The amount expended in the State is $7,493.75.

The receipts from donations are $310.20 larger than last year; from legacies, $2,242.51 larger, and from the Cent Institution, $310.84 less than last year. The total receipts are $2,231.63 larger than last year.

It will be noticed that of the $13,525.33 contributed to the cause of home missions in the State, $5,204.97, a little more than thirty-nine per cent., went into the treasury in New York, for the western fields. This is somewhat less than the average of recent years. Of $72,983.71, the amount contributed in the last five years, $30,023.45 have gone to the treasury of the A. H. M. Society, or about forty-one per cent., and an average of $6,000.00 a year—much less than we could wish, in view of the vast and growing importance and urgent wants of the great National field, yet no inconsiderable amount, nor, considering the condition of our churches, and the drafts made upon them in other ways, is it a proportion of which we need to feel ashamed.

The receipts of the closing weeks of the year have been such as to make the condition of our treasury somewhat more favorable than was at one time anticipated. It is an occasion for devout gratitude that, in such a year, our receipts have equaled and a little more than equaled our expenditures. Still it should be recollected that this result has been reached only by severe retrenchment, retrenchment more severe than is consistent with justice to some, at least, of the parties concerned; more severe than can be continued without serious detriment to the cause in the State.

We earnestly hope that the falling off in the receipts of the Cent Society does not indicate that any of those upon whom our cause has, now for near three quarters of a century, depended so constantly and so largely for the means to carry on its work and to whom the credit of what it has done is so largely due, are becoming weary in this kind of well doing.

The spirit of the apostolic rule, "I mean not that other men be eased and ye burdened: but that there may be equality,"

seems hardly to be carried out by many of our churches. Year after year we have to report nearly or quite one half of them as giving nothing to a cause which is certainly second to no other in its claims upon their sympathy and care. True, some twenty of these can hardly be expected to give any thing, having scarcely more than a name upon our rolls. But usually from thirty to fifty, whose ability and responsibility equal those of the churches around them, and among which we are quite sure to find some of the strongest churches of the State, are found at the close of each year to have given nothing. So far as any thing they do to prevent it is concerned, the cause would languish and die. Doubtless, for the most part, they *intend* to contribute to it. They are often surprised to be told that in any given year they did not contribute to it. It is not intentional slight, it is only thoughtless neglect. But does it not indicate a want of principle and of system in giving which is a very grave defect in their religious culture, and which should, by a vigorous and persevering effort, be corrected? There are a considerable number of our churches which give regularly, their full proportion of twice and even three times the actual amount of our annual income. Do these churches give too much? or is there on the part of others a delinquincy which involves a grave responsibility? We do, very respectfully, but in all sincerity and earnestness, commend this matter to the attention of pastors and churches, and that, not simply for the sake of our cause, but not less for the sake of the churches themselves. "*Let every one of you upon the first day of the week lay by him in store as God hath prospered him.*"

The number of our dependent churches is slowly but constantly increasing, averaging for the last five years an increase of one each year. This is no doubt due, in part, to the general pecuniary depression of the times, but also largely, to emigration and to the concentration of population around new centers. How far these causes are to continue to operate it would be difficult to foretell. The population of the State is now slowly increasing. The abandoned farms and dwellings among our hills are, to some extent, becoming re-occupied. But not largely by a church going, certainly not protestant church going, people, not by

lovers and supporters of the Puritan faith and the Puritan principles which have made New-England what she is, but by the devotees of another faith and other principles. And the purpose is not disguised to make this other faith and these other principles triumphant here over the decaying and prostrate Puritan altars. Questions of no ordinary moment, as they respect our future, are rising up out of this state of things to confront us, questions which we can now only suggest, not fully discuss, but in the presence of which the work of our Society is assuming a new importance and responsibitity. Certainly it is no time to relax our determination or our efforts, God helping us, to hold the State to the faith of the fathers. We earnestly commend these "signs of the times" to the very serious consideration of our churches, and of all interested in the future well being of the State. There is peril before us, to be met only by unsleeping vigilance and real, earnest work.

There are, scattered over our State, a large number of neighborhoods, with each a considerable population, lying somewhat remote from our churches, where the mass of the people have fallen into comparative or entire neglect of public worship. We hail it as a sign of promise that the attention of pastors and churches is becoming drawn to such neighborhoods. We are confident that a very important and hopeful work is opening before them in this direction. Efforts of this sort have, in many cases, been attended with signal success. We are glad to note that our missionary churches and pastors are more and more in this way justifying their name, showing themselves "missionary" not only in the passive but also in the higher and nobler, the active sense, freely giving as well as receiving, and proving, in some cases at least, how much more blessed it is to give than to receive.

We trust that this line of Christian work is to be vigorously pursued in the future, that especially where, as is becoming more and more the custom, the afternoon service is given up, it will be devoted, by both the pastor and members of the church, to such true evangelistic work, thus relieving the custom of some of the grave objections which thoughtful men feel respecting it. Often the congregation in the remote school-house will be nearly if not quite as large as in the central church, and very possibly

much more eager to hear. There is little danger, if it is done in the spirit of Him who *went about* doing good, of carrying out too fully the direction to go out to those in the highways and hedges and compel them to come in.

And, in this connection, we desire to call attention to the fact, the truth of which experience and observation on such a field as ours do but the more confirm as the years go by, that whatever we may think, or whatever may be true of the Divine Sovereignty and of dependence on God in the spiritual realm—a dependence which, if rightly viewed, we cannot feel too deeply—it is still true that, not less really in the realm of spiritual than in that of natural husbandry, does the harvest, ultimately and on the broad scale, depend on the amount and kind of labor put forth. We do not forget that there is a seed sowing and a culture, as important in their place as is the harvest; we do not forget that there is a difference in soils, more of hard trodden wayside, of thorny and of stony ground, in some places than in others; we do not forget that the best husbandry sometimes fails, or seems to fail, utterly; still, ultimately, in the comprehensive view, it is true that the amount and the kind of the harvest do depend upon the amount of earnest, unsparing, wisely directed labor that is put forth to secure it. Ministers and churches accomplish what, in a genuine reliance on God and in obedience to the divine directions, they set themselves in earnest to accomplish. More and better work would infallibly secure richer results.

The question of establishing the will of Mrs. Whitehouse is still pending in the courts, and may yet tax considerably the patience of those interested in the result. It is a satisfaction to know that, whatever wisdom, or want of wisdom, there may be in the human care that guides it, there is an eye that watches over it, the eye of One concerned that justice shall be done, and that the highest interests of the cause to which Mrs. Whitehouse devoted so much of her property shall be promoted, the eye of One whose hand and purpose have, as we think, been clearly visible in this whole matter from the beginning. And if any interested cannot do anything directly towards securing a righteous result, they can at least look up.

We should not forget that our little State presents only a small section of the home missionary work of the country, nor suffer ourselves to become so much absorbed in the demands which it rightfully makes upon us as to lose sight of the transcendent greatness and importance of the work that the mighty flow of population westward is laying, as her very highest responsibility, and grandest opportunity, upon the American church. That work is enlarging, and is to continue to enlarge for the period of a generation at least. A long step has been taken in the past year towards self-support in some of the older States of what was till recently the West, but the tide of emigration that sets towards the Pacific is deepening and broadening beyond any former precedent, opening fields for the planting of new churches much faster than those already planted can be reared into self-support. It is in its relations to that work that the home missionary work in New-Hampshire assumes its very highest interest. It has been given to our churches—and no higher or more important service has been assigned to any churches—it has been given to our churches to rear and send out those who should be nursing fathers and nursing mothers to churches, which, coming into being upon a virgin soil, are destined to a future whose importance we can as yet but feebly appreciate. We look with longing anticipation to the time, not now, we trust in the providence of God, far distant, when we can send to the frontier, not only men, but, much more largely than heretofore, money also, when of every dollar contributed to our treasury a large percentage shall go to sustain the workers there, that so the work in the East and the work in the West, —one in the grand ultimate aim of securing the future of our whole land for Christ—may have their proper place in the sympathies, the prayers and the alms of every member of our churches.

For the Trustees,

E. H. GREELEY, *Secretary.*

TABULAR VIEW OF FIELDS OCCUPIED.

CHURCHES AND STATIONS.	MISSIONARIES.	Date of Commission.	Months of Commission.	Amount of Appropriation.	Months of Labor Performed.	No. of Hopeful Conversions.	Added.		Removals.			Resident Members.	Non-Resident Members.	Total Membership.	Average Congregation.	No. in Sabbath School.	Contributions.	
							By Profession.	By Letter.	By Dismission.	By Death.	By Exclusion.						N. H. Miss. Society.	Other Objects.
1. Alstead Center,	G. B. Richardson,	Apr. 1,	1878	12	$150.00	12	0	0	1	0	0	0	48	6	54	80	60	$20.00	$65.00
2. Alstead East,				..	.....	....	0	0	2	0	1	0	87	25	112	90	70	20.00	65.00
3. Alstead, P. M. Vill.,	Geo. F. Chapin,	Apr. 1,	1878	12	150.00	12	0	0	0	0	1	0	36	2	38	80	100	35.00	10.00
4. Langdon,				..	.....	....	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	7	39	60	50	8.75	0.00
5. Alton,	L. S. Coan,	Jan. 17,	1878	12	150.00	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	13	55	75	75	5.00	0.00
6. Andover,	Howard Moody,	Jan. 1,	1878	12	200.00	12	4	1	2	0	0	0	31	3	34	70	50	34.08	0.00
7. Auburn,	C. E. Houghton,	May 20,	1878	12	150.00	12	10	0	0	0	1	0	36	12	48	60	80	0.00	0.00
8. Barnstead,	W. O. Carr,	Oct. 1,	1877	12	150.00	12	6	3	1	4	1	0	33	5	38	80	94	3.00	3.00
9. Barrington,	E. F. Borchers,	Jan. 1,	1878	9	100.00	7½	0	1	3	5	1	0	43	5	48	75	60	0.00	0.00
10. Berlin,	A. J. Benedict,	June 1,	1877	12	200.00	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
11. Gorham,							14	0	1	0	0	44	5	49	100	96	0.00	0.00
12. Bethlehem,	C. H. H. Pannell,	Nov. 1,	1877	12	200.00	9½	9	8	1	0	0	43	2	45	80	74	20.00	50.00
13. Brentwood,	W. C. Jackson,	Apr. 1,	1878	12	150.00	12	0	0	0	0	0	36	8	44	50	40	2.00	0.00
14. Center Harbor,	E. P. Stone,	May 1.	1878	6	100.00	9½	2	0	3	0	0	4	40	16	56	85	75	26.60	31.50
15. Charlestown,	Geo. H. Dunlap,	June 10,	1878	12	200.00	12	6	1	5	1	0	0	29	15	44	70	85	0.00	14.50
16. Chatham,	J. H. Libby,	Mar. 17,	1878	12	75.00	5	1	0	1	1	1	0	24	15	39	119	50	0.00	5.00
17. Dalton,	A. E. Hall,	Apr. 1,	1877	12	150.00	7½	0	0	0	1	1	0	40	3	43	80	65	10.00	7.00
18. Danbury,	S. F. Lougee,	Apr. 1,	1878	12	150.00	12	7	3	0	2	0	0	51	13	64	150	160	15.00	0.00
19. Enfield,							1	0	0	0	0	0	22	8	30	100	40	10.00	10.00
20. Enfield Center,	Francis Parker,	June 16,	1878	12	200.00	2	...	No	Chu	rch.	....	....	.....	.....	....	125	....	.....	.....
21. Enfield East,							...	No	Chu	rch.	....	....	.....	.....	....	50	....	.....	.....
22. Epsom,	E. C. Coggswell,	June 1,	1878	12	100.00	12	0	1	2	0	0	0	40	....	40	75	50	0.00	0.00
23. Franconia,	G. A. Beckwith,	Apr. 1,	1877	12	150.08	7½	10	2	1	0	0	0	22	2	24	90	60	3.50	4.50
24. Gilmanton I. W.,	C. L. Tomblen,	June 1,	1877	12	100.00	9½	0	0	0	0	2	0	37	30	67	75	75	0.00	11.00
25. Groton, North,	D. S. Hibbard,	June 1,	1878	3	50.00	4	1	1	1	1	1	0	10	2	12	56	40	0.00	0.00
26. Hanover Center,	George Smith,	Apr. 1,	1878	12	100.00	12	1	0	0	1	0	0	77	24	101	75	70	13.71	10.00

27. Harrisville,	H. W. L. Thurston,	May 1,	1878	12	150.00	12	3	3	2	6	0	0	52	13	65	91	90	5.20	25.00
28. Hudson,	J. W. Haley,	Jan. 11,	1878	12	200.00	7½	.....	0	0	0	0	0	53	12	65	75	75	0.00	0.00
29. Kensington,	F. D. Chandler,	Apr. 25,	1878	12	250.00	12	0	1	2	1	1	0	55	1	56	80	80	17.87	0.00
30. Kingston,	J. Chapman,	May 1,	1877	12	75.00	8½	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	9	51	84	110	58.75	50.00
31. Lempster,	J. LeBosquet,	May 1,	1877	12	150.00	8½	0	0	0	3	1	0	38	10	48	40	35	8.00	20.00
32. Lyndeborough,	Lincoln Harlow,	July 16,	1877	12	150.00	7½	0	0	0	3	1	0	70	4	74	80	80	0.00	0.00
33. Mason,	W. R. Tisdale,	Apr. 1,	1878	12	100.00	4½	0	0	3	1	1	0	78	7	85	80	60	5.50	118.93
34. Milton Mills,	D. B. Scott,	Aug. 1,	1877	12	150.00	12	3	3	6	0	2	0	37	8	45	100	114	9.40	0.00
35. Monroe,	N. F. Cobleigh,	Aug. 15,	1877	12	75.00	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	7	36	74	50	4.00	3.75
36. Newcastle,	B. F. Grant,	Nov. 1,	1876	12	150.00	2½	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
37. Newington,	W. A. Hadley,	May 1,	1877	12	150.00	4½	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
38. Ossipee Corner,	E. P. Eastman,	Jan. 1,	1878	12	150.00	12	No	Chu	rch.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	50	0.00	20.00
39. Ossipee Center,							0	22	5	1	2	0	86	.....	86	95	75	10.00	12.00
40. Roxbury,	Thos. F. Day,	May 10,	1878	4	50.00	4	1	0	0	2	0	0	23	4	27	45	35	0.00	10.00
41. Salem,	Samuel Bowker,	Jan. 1,	1878	12	100.00	12	.....	2	2	1	0	0	65	7	72	82	78	10.00	40.00
42. Sandwich,	A. E. Hall,	May 1,	1878	12	200.00	3½	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	5	34	60	35	6.00	0.00
43. South Seabrook,	W. A. Rand,	Aug. 1,	1877	12	300.00	12	0	0	0	0	1	0	18	0	18	100	100	0.00	0.00
44. Stewartstown, West,	W. S. Bugbey,	July 1,	1877	12	200.00	10½	.....	12	2	0	1	0	40	12	52	93	84	0.00	5.00
45. South Newmarket,	A. C. Childs,	Oct. 1,	1877	12	150.00	10½	0	0	3	0	0	1	22	1	23	60	35	7.00	19.83
46. Stoddard,	H. H. Colburn,	Apr. 5,	1878	12	200.00	12	5	5	3	0	0	0	59	20	79	80	72	0.00	0.00
47. Washington,		Apr. 5,	1877	12	.....	3½	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
48. Weare, South,	A. B. Palmer,	May 1,	1877	12	150.00	8½	0	0	0	0	1	0	36	0	36	100	100	0.00	0.00
49. Deering,	C. H. Taintor,	May 12,	1878	12	150.00	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
50. Wentworth,	G. J. Pierce,	May 1,	1877	12	200.00	8½	0	0	0	0	2	0	46	7	53	90	75	24.35	30.00
51. Wilmot,	J. H. Larry,	Jan. 1,	1878	12	100.00	12	.....	8	3	4	0	1	32	....	32	90	94	8.20	.....
52. Wolfeborough North,	T. M. Findley,	May 1,	1878	4	50.00	4	6	3	0	0	0	0	25	0	25	80	60	9.00	0.00

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1877–8.

L. D. STEVENS, *Treasurer, in account with*
THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

	DR.
To balance from last year's account,	$1,059.27
Donations from churches and individuals,	3,715.33
Donations from New-Hampshire Cent Institution,	2,327.00
Legacies,	2,090.83
Donations for the American Home Missionary Society,	677.94
Legacies for the American Home Missionary Society,	100.00
Income from Permanent Fund,	131.73
Receipts from miscellaneous sources,	55.47
	$10,157.57

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By amount paid feeble churches and missionaries,	$5,345.45
" " American Home Missionary Society,	677.94
" " Secretary, as salary,	1,500.00
" " Secretary, as traveling expenses,	151.24
" " Treasurer, as salary,	150.00
" " Treasurer, for postage, expressage, &c., for N. H. Miss. Society and N. H. Cent Inst.,	46.14
" " Treasuress of N. H. Cent Inst., as salary,	30.00
" " R. W. Musgrove, for printing Annual Report,	93.42
" " R. W. Musgrove, for printing Annual Report of N. H. Cent Institution,	119.00
" " Loan and Trust Savings Bank, interest on a loan of $1,200, maturing Nov. 4, 1878,	54.00
" " N. H. Institution, to correct an error of donor,	10.00
" " N. H. Press Association, for printing circulars,	4.50
" of balance carried to next year's account,	1,975.88
	$10,157.57

This certifies that we have examined the account of Hon. L. D. Stevens, Treasurer of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, and find the same correct, leaving a balance in his hands of nineteen hundred and seventy-five dollars, eighty-eight cents (1,975.88).

JOHN KIMBALL,
GEO. E. JENKS, } *Auditors.*

RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS.

Atkinson—Congregational Church and Society,..... $14.00
Acworth—Mrs. Juliet A. Osgood, Secretary of Female Charitable Society, in part to constitute Mrs. Joseph Hayward life member,..... 13.00
Alstead Center—Congregational Church and Society,..... 25.42
Alstead—Congregational Church and Society,..... 35.00
Amherst—Congregational Church and Society, $42.30; for A. H. M. S., $25.60; Jonathan Hartshorne, to constitute himself and Franklin Hartshorne life members, $150.00,..... 217.90
Antrim—Presbyterian Church,..... 10.00
Andover—Congregational Church and Society,..... 25.76
Brookline—Congregational Church and Society,..... 13.29
Bristol—Congregational Church and Society,..... 32.90
Bennington—Congregational Church and Society,..... 30.00
Bedford—Blanchard Nichols,..... 10.00
Bow—Estate of Sarah Brown, to constitute Mrs. Mary E. A. Dow and Miss Annie A. McFarland life members, $950.83; legacy from same estate for A. H. M. S., $50.00,..... 1,000.83
Bethlehem—1st Congregational Church and Society,..... 20.00
Brentwood—Congregational Church and Society,..... 2.00
Cornish—Mrs. J. B. Wyman, to constitute Rev. J. T. Jackson, Martha M. Jackson and herself life members of A. H. M. S.,..... 200.00
Concord—A friend, for A. H. M. S., $60.00; a friend, $10.00,..... 70.00
Concord—South Congregational Church and Society, $153.52, to constitute Mrs. Selina A. Staniels and Mrs. Nellie R. Thorndike life members, and $37.03 to constitute Asa McFarland life member of A. H. M. S.; Rev. William R. Jewett, 10.00; Sunday-School of same Society, for A. H. M. S., $30.00 to constitute Charles G. Remick life member, and for N. H. M. S., $30.00 to constitute Wendell P. Marden life member of A. H. M. S.,..... 260.55
Concord—1st Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Ann Eliza Bunker, William P. Fiske, W. T. Colter and Frank L. Gerrish life members,..... 126.00
Campton—Congregational Church and Society, $11.57; Dea. William G. Brown, $5.00,..... 16.57
Claremont—Congregational Church and Society,..... 79.15
Candia—Congregational Church and Society,..... 22.51
Canterbury—Congregational Church and Society,..... 5.00
Conway—Estate of Abby K. Wentworth,..... 10.00
Center Harbor—Congregational Church and Society, and friends,..... 27.13
Canaan—Mrs. Dr. Morgan, $2.00; Mrs. Sarah Harris, $5.00,..... 7.00
Chester—Congregational Church and Society,..... 25.00
Deerfield—Congregational Church and Society,..... 11.10
Dover—Special thank-offering from a member of the 1st Congregational Church and Society,..... 5.00
Dalton—Congregational Church and Society,..... 10.00
Derry—1st Congregational Church and Society,..... 32.05
Exeter—2d Congregational Church and Society,..... 85.00

Exeter—1st Congregational Church and Society,	$32 00
Epping—Congregational Church and Society,	38.20
East Alstead—Congregational Church and Society,	5.20
Enfield—Mary Blake,	10.00
Farmington—Congregational Church and Society,	21.00
Fisherville—J. C. Martin,	2.00
Franconia—Rev. Geo. A. Beckwith, $2.50; Mr. Geo. Kerr, $1.00,	3.50
Gilmanton Iron Works—Peter Dudley, Esq.,	10.00
Goffstown—Congregational Church and Society, 26.87; for Sunday School work of A. H. M. S., $15 00,	41.87
Greenland—Congregational Church and Society,	27.60
Gilsum—Congregational Church and Society,	31.75
Gilmanton Center—Congregational Church and Society,	5.00
Hanover Center—Congregational Church and Society,	10.00
Hanover—Congregational Church and Society,	66.96
Haverhill—Congregational Church and Society,	38.87
Hollis—Congregational Church and Society, $20.00; for A. H. M. S., $20 50; a friend, $5.00; a friend for the A. H. M. S., $5.00; a friend, $5.00,	55.50
Hampton—Congregational Church and Society,	13.20
Hopkinton—Congregational Church and Society,	23.00
Harrisville—Congregational Church and Society,	5.20
Hampstead—Congregational Church and Society,	20.00
Henniker—Congregational Church and Society, $37.00; for A. H. M. S., $66.00,	103.00
Kingston—Congregational Church and Society,	38.76
Keene—1st Congregational Church and Society,	152.82
Keene—E. H. Clark, for A. H. M. S., $5.00; Robbie Hill, $1.92, and Willie Hill, $1.62,	8.54
Keene—2d Congregational Church and Society,	24.80
Langdon—Congregational Church and Society,	8.75
Lyme—Congregational Church and Society, $48.90; in full to constitute Edwin L. Thrasher life member of A. H. M. S., $5.00,	53.90
Laconia—Congregational Church and Society, $20.60; for A. H. M. S., $6.00,	26 60
Lebanon—Congregational Church and Society,	26.03
Littleton—Congregational Church and Society,	34.50
Merrimack—R. H. Pratt, $2.00; Congregational Church and Society, $34.70; Miss Catherine Pratt, $40 00,	76.70
Meredith—Legacy from estate of Geo. W. Lang,	1,000.00
Meredith Village—Congregational Church and Society,	27.00
Mason—Congregational Church and Society,	18.50
Manchester—Rev. C. W. Wallace, $25.00; C. B. Southworth in full to constitute Rev. Wm. V. W. Davis life member, $20.00,	45.00
Manchester—1st Congregational Church and Society, for A. H. M. S., $79.30; Sunday-School class of Mrs. Wallace, for A. H. M. S., $3.25,	82.55
Manchester—Hanover St. Congregational Church and Society,	93.85
Milford—1st Congregational Church and Society,	147.93
Marlboro'—Congregational Church and Society, $16.37; for Sunday-School work of A. H. M. S., $5.00,	21.37
Mont Vernon—Congregational Church and Society,	11.00
Meriden—Congregational Church and Society,	12.10
Milton—Congregational Church and Society, $6.50; Mrs. E. F. Abbott,, an invalid, $5.00,	11.50
Milton Mills—Congregational Church and Society,	8.40
New Boston—Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Rev. John Bragdon life member,	30.00

Newington—Congregational Church and Society,.....	$8.27
Newmarket—Congregational Church and Society,.....	18.65
North Hampton—Congregational Church and Society,.....	32.71
Nashua—1st Congregational Church and Society,.....	331.01
Nashua—Olive St. Congregational Church and Society,.....	44.75
Newport—Congregational Church and Society,.....	73.08
New Ipswich—Congregational Church and Society, $9.79; for Sabbath School work of A. H. M. S., $5.26,.....	15.05
Ossipee—Congregational Church and Society,.....	40.50
Orford—Two ladies, $2.00; legacy of Miss Abigail S. Phelps, late of Orford, by Rev. M. T. Runnells, of Sanbornton, Legatee in trust to constitute Dea. Thomas L. Demick, Asahel W. Newcomb, Miss Annette Edgell and Mrs. Abigail F. Washburn life members, $140 00 ...	142.00
Plymouth—Congregational Church and Society,.....	4.81
Pembroke—Congregational Church and Society,.....	32.00
Pelham—Congregational Church and Society, $54.31; Mrs. E. W. Tyler, for A. H. M. S., $5.00,.....	59.31
Pittsfield—Congregational Church and Society.....	45.77
Piermont—Congregational Church and Society, in part to constitute Frank Underhill life member,.....	12.00
Portsmouth—Congregational Church and Society,.....	185.00
Peterboro',—Union Evangelical Church and Society,.....	20.00
Rindge—Congregational Church and Society,.....	34.82
South Weare—Congregational Church and Society,.....	12.00
South Newmarket—Congregational Church and Society,.....	15.50
Salem—Congregational Church and Society.....	10.00
Sullivan—Congregational Church and Society,.....	10.00
Swanzey—Congregational Church and Society,.....	16.00
Stratham—Congregational Church and Society,.....	20.00
Sanbornton—Congregational Church and Society,.....	24.30
Tamworth—Congregational Church and Society,.....	11.00
Tilton—Congregational Church and Society, $40.00; Sabbath School, to pay debt of A. H. M. S., $30.00,.....	70.00
Wakefield—Congregational Church and Society,.....	27.00
Winchester—Sabbath School of Congregational Church and Society, $7.00; Ladies' Home Missionary Society, to constitute Grace H. Coxetter and Mrs. Lucius Lyman life members of A. H. M. S., $55.20,..	62.20
West Lebanon—Congregational Church and Society, $28.11; to constitute Milton S. Woodman, life member of A. H. M. S., $35.75,.....	63.86
Webster—Congregational Church and Society,.....	23.75
Wilmot—Congregational Church and Society,.....	5.88
West Concord—Congregregational Church and Society, $14.75; legacy of Sarah G. Carleton, for A. H. M. S., $30.00,.....	44.75
Wilton—Congregational Church and Society,.....	6.27
Wilton—Sabbath School of 2nd Congregational Church and Society,.....	4.32
Walpole—1st Congregational Church and Society,.....	42.58
Wentworth—Congregational Church and Society,.....	7.35
Westmoreland—Congregational Church and Society, to constitute Wm. J. Reed life member,.....	31.00

MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES.

Sullivan County Conference of Churches,.....	12.11
Cheshire County Conference of Churches,.....	30.00
Rockingham County Conference of Churches,.....	13.36

LIFE MEMBERS OF A. H. M. S. IN 1878.

Concord—Dea. Asa McFarland.
" Charles G. Remick.
" Wendell P. Marden.
Cornish—Rev. James T. Jackson.
" Mrs. Martha M. Jackson.
Winchester—Grace H. Coxetter.
" Mrs. Lucius Lyman.

LIFE MEMBERS OF N. H. M. S. IN 1878.

Acworth—Mrs. Joseph Heyward.
Amherst—Jonathan Hartshorne.
" Franklin Hartshorne.
Concord—William P. Fiske.
" William J. Coulter.
" Frank L. Gerrish.
" Ann Eliza Bunker.
" Mrs. Mary E. A. Dow.
" Miss Annie A. McFarland.
" Mrs. Selina A. Staniels.
" Mrs. Nellie R. Thorndike.
Danbury—Rev. S. F. Lougee.
Manchester—Rev. W. V. W. Davis.
New Boston—Rev. John Bragdon.
Lyme—Edwin L. Thrasher.
Orford—Dea. Thomas L. Dimick.
" Asahel W. Newcomb.
" Miss Annette Edgell.
" Mrs. Abigail Washburn.
West Lebanon—Milton S. Woodman.
Westmoreland—W. J. Reed.

TABLE

Showing the places where the Anniversaries of the Society have been held, including the Place of its organization, in 1801, *and the whole amount raised in the State for Home Missions each year.*

YEARS. PLACES.	AMOUNT.
1801—Hopkinton,	$51.63
1802—Concord,	386.62
1803—Concord,	309.46
1804—Concord,	406.09
1805—Hopkinton,	602.84
1806—Hopkinton,	611.49
1807—Hopkinton,	600.66
1808—Concord,	1,290.48
1809—Concord,	735.92
1810—Concord,	1,288.27
1811—Dunbarton,	953.92
1812—Hollis,	1,520.58
1813—Plymouth,	932.27
1814—Hanover,	2,638.90
1815—Keene,	2,807.98
1816—Concord,	2,633.36
1817—Exeter,	2,395.05
1818—Dover,	2,427.10
1819—Haverhill,	2,537.21
1820—Portsmouth,	1,712.56
1821—New-Ipswich,	1,851.07
1822—Pembroke,	1,755.18
1823—Acworth,	1,846.20
1824—Londonderry (Derry),	2,637.44
1825—Lyme,	1,869.09
1826—Durham,	1,872.07
1827—Rindge,	3,263.65
1828—Salisbury,	1,951.83
1829—Newport,	2,416.71
1830—Portsmouth,	2,479.86
1831—Concord,	2,371.34
1832—Amherst,	5,820.75
1833—Keene,	5,067.66
1834—Meredith Bridge,	4,843.24

YEARS. PLACES.	AMOUNT.
1835—Plymouth,	$7,795.24
1836—Exeter,	4,942.02
1837—Claremont,	5.506.14
1838—New-Ipswich,	5,396.81
1839—Lyme,	4,616.37
1840—Hampton,	4,596.83
1841—Francestown,	5,187.03
1842—Dover,	5,361.11
1843—Nashua,	5,730.36
1844—Concord, South Church,	7,582.66
1845—Portsmouth,	5,365.19
1846—Newport,	9,027.15
1847—Meredith Bridge (Laconia),	6,050.51
1848—Manchester, 1st Church,	7,720.75
1849—Plymouth,	7,010.12
1850—Great Falls,	7,368.54
1851—Acworth,	9,948.47
1852—Pittsfield,	7,896.50
1853—Littleton,	10,461.21
1854—Derry,	8,417.53
1855—Concord, First Church,	7,992.34
1856—Exeter, First Church,	6,690.47
1857—Keene,	8,148.55
1858—Hampton,	6,732.26
1859—Boscawen,	8,076.99
1860—Claremont,	7,258.60
1861—Portsmouth,	8,148.68
1862—Concord South,	7,182.49
1863—Haverhill,	8,606.57
1864—Manchester,	7,556.61
1865—Newport,	8,589.13
1866—Dover,	20,064.51
1867 Nashua,	12,068.17
1868—Concord, North Church,	11,810.04
1869—Keene,	22,932 55
1870—M lford,	9,598.92
1871—Rochester,	14,600.79
1872—Bristol	11,962.15
1873—Laconia,	11,825.23
1874—Exeter	17,326.70
1875—Claremont,	11,345.18
1876—Littleton,	19,492.80
1877—Great Falls,	11,293.70
1878—Concord,	13,525.33
Total amount raised in seventy-seven years,	$471,327.94

ADDENDA.

Since the paragraph concerning the Whitehouse will was in print, all matters relating to that will have been adjusted between the parties in interest so as to avoid further litigation.

On page 22, the average congregation at Bethlehem should have been reported 280 instead of 80.

MINUTES

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APPOINTMENTS AND OFFICERS FOR THE SESSION OF 1880.

SECRETARY.

Rev. FRANKLIN D. AYER, *Concord.*

From 1871; Re-elected 1877.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Rev. SAMUEL L. GEROULD, *Goffstown.*

From 1874; Re-elected 1877.

ANNUAL MEETING at Portsmouth, September 14, 15, and 16, 1880; commencing Tuesday evening, September 14, at 7 o'clock.

PREACHER OF THE OPENING SERMON, to be appointed.

PREACHER BEFORE THE SACRAMENT, Rev. Edward G. Selden, Manchester, *Primary;* Rev. George E. Street, Exeter, *Substitute.*

COMMITTEE OF NOMINATIONS, Rev. George Dustan, Peterboro'; Rev. Ephraim E. P. Abbott, Newport; Rev. Charles E. Harrington, Concord.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS, The pastor of the church in Portsmouth (if any); Dea. Edward P. Kimball; Rev. Thomas V. Haines.

ESSAY, Permanence in the ministry, and how to secure it. Rev. Stephen W. Webb, *Primary;* Rev. Levi Rodgers, *Substitute.*

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION. 1. The evils of divorce and their remedy. Rev. Samuel P. Leeds, D.D., *Primary;* Rev. George H. Scott, *Substitute.*

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NOTE. For officers of Conferences and times of meeting, see pp. 44–47.

ASSESSMENTS, 1880.

Cheshire	Conference.	$59.70	
Coos	"	13.09	
Grafton	"	45.78	
Hillsboro'	"	129.27	
Merrimack	"	57.23	
Rockingham	"	80.56	
Strafford	"	30.32	
Sullivan	"	22.88	Total, $477.63.

NOTE. There may be deducted from Coos Conference $2.57 on account of the churches connected with Conferences in Maine; from Hillsboro' Conference $6.03, and from Rockingham $3.18, being one cent per member for the Presbyterian churches, which cannot be asked to contribute toward the expenses of the National Council.

CONSITUTION AND RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

I. NAME. This body shall be called the GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

II. MEMBERS. This Association shall be composed of delegates from the several District Associations of Ministers, and Conferences of Churches, in the following proportions: namely, one minister for every three members of an Asssociation, and one layman for every three churches belonging to a Conference; and also of the officers, preachers and committees for the year for which they are chosen, the delegates who the preceding year fulfilled their appointments in person, the persons appointed to prepare essays and lead in discussions, the Secretaries and Treasurers of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, the New-Hampshire Bible Society, the New-Hampshire Education Society, and the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund, a representation of the Faculty of Dartmouth College, and the minister of the church with which the Association meets. Twelve members shall constitute a quorum. All other ministers and members of the churches connected with the Association, who may be present, shall be considered as corresponding members, with the right to speak and serve on committees, but not to vote.

III. FUNDEMENTAL PRINCIPLES. 1. It is ever to be understood that the system of Scripture doctrine contained in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism is the basis of our union in this Association. Hence every Association and every Conference in this state, receiving these doctrines as the Christian Faith, is invited to unite in this body.

2. This General Association wholly disclaims ecclesiastical power or authority over the churches, or the opinions of individuals.

3. The essential objects of the Association are "to promote brotherly intercourse and harmony, and our mutual animation, assistance and usefulness as ministers and churches of Christ; to obtain religious information relative to the state of our particular churches, and the general state of the Christian church in this country and throughout the world; and to co-operate with other similar institutions in the most eligible measures for building up the cause of truth and holiness."

IV. MEETING AND ORGANIZATION. 1. This Association shall meet annually, on the Tuesday after the second Sabbath of September, at seven o'clock p. m., in such place as shall be designated at the preceding meeting, and notified by the Secretary, and be opened with a sermon.

2. At the close of this service the preacher shall take the chair, and preside until a Moderator is chosen. The Secretary shall receive the certificates of delegates, and report the names of members; when the Association shall be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an Assistant Scribe, by ballot.

V. PERMANENT OFFICERS AND STATISTICS. 1. The permanent officers of this Association shall be a Secretary and Statistical Secretary, each to be chosen by ballot for the term of three years from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made.

2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of this body, prepare an outline of business, preserve schedules and narratives of the state of religion, conduct the correspondence of this body, and notify all delegates to foreign bodies of their appointment, with the times and places of meeting of bodies to which they are appointed.

3. It shall be the duty of the Statistical Secretary to procure the statistics of the churches, and narratives of the state of religion, through the Statistical Scribes of the several Conferences, complete and arrange them for publication, and prepare from these several reports a narrative of the state of religion, to be read before the Association and published in the minutes. He shall superintend their printing, and be a member of the Publishing Committee. The Statistical Secretary shall be the Treasurer of the Association, and be empowered to receive and pay out such sums of money as the body may direct.

4. These Secretaries shall be allowed their expenses for correspondence and attendance on the meetings of this body.

5. Each Conference connected with this body is requested to appoint a Statistical Scribe, to collect the statistics of the churches within its bounds, in methods designated by this body, and under the direction of the Statistical Secretary of the General Association. In case any Conference shall fail to appoint such a scribe prior to the first day of May, the Statistical Secretary may designate some person to act in this capacity for the year.

6. The statistical returns, with respect to the number in the churches, shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers at the end of the statistical year, which shall commence with the first of January.

VI. VACANCIES. In case of the decease of either one of the permanent officers, or his removal from the state, the duties of his office shall devolve upon his associate.

VII. COMMITTEES. 1. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, of which the minister of the church with which the Association is to meet shall be chairman, shall be appointed for the succeeding meeting, who shall prepare and arrange the business of the session, including the selection of the preacher of the opening sermon; and no business shall be introduced without their consent. But if the committee shall decline presenting any item of business requested by a member, he may appeal from their decision to the Association.

2. At each meeting shall be chosen a Committee of Inquiry, consisting of three, to report during the session, whose duties shall be as follows:

(*a*) To designate three questions of religious doctrine or practice, one of which shall relate to the interests of Sabbath Schools, for the consideration of the Association, and to nominate three persons, with substitutes, to lead the discussion on each of these topics, who shall carefully prepare themselves for this duty, and shall be allowed ten minutes each; to be followed by a general discussion, speakers limited to five minutes each.

(*b*) To designate some topic, respecting ecclesiastical polity and

usage, or missionary and educational enterprises, and to nominate one person, with substitute, to prepare a carefully written essay, not to exceed twenty minutes, to be subject to the subsequent remark of the Association.

3. There shall also be a standing Committee of Nominations, consisting of three persons, so constituted that one member shall go out each year in rotation, whose duty it shall be to make all nominations not otherwise provided for. This committee shall elect a chairman, who shall keep a record of all appointments made by the Association.

4. The Scribe of the Association and the Statistical Secretary, and such other persons as they may select, shall be a committee of publication. They shall revise and publish such extracts of the minutes as they may deem proper, and order such number of copies printed as the Association shall direct. The Statistical Secretary shall send a copy of the minutes to each minister and each church connected with this Association, and copies to other ecclesiastical bodies, in numbers as shall be mutually agreed upon.

VIII. ORDER AND RULES OF PROCEEDINGS. *Tuesday*, 7 P.M. Opening sermon, to be followed by organization, choice of committees and business of the Association.

Wednesday, 9 A.M. Business of Association.

9 1-2 A.M. Reading of essay and discussion thereon.

10 1-2 A.M. Brief reports of delegates to foreign bodies, after which, shall be a presentation of benevolent causes; only three of which, in addition to the State Auxiliaries, shall be presented at any meeting. No cause shall be presented oftener than once in two years; and the order of rotation shall be: 1st year, American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions; Congregational Publishing Society; Congregational Union. 2nd year. American Missionary Association; Tract Society; Seaman's Friend Society.

2 P.M. Business of the Association.

2 1-2 P.M. Narrative of the state of religion, with additional statements respecting revivals, and other facts of interest.

4 P.M. Discussion of question relating to Sabbath Schools, or a Children's meeting.

7 P.M. Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund.

7 1-2 P.M. Anniversary of the New-Hampshire Missionary Society.

Thursday, 9 A.M. Business of the Association.

9 1-2 A.M. Presentation of the religious condition of Dartmouth College.

10 1-2 A.M. Discussion of question.

2 P.M. The Association will attend religious services, in which a sermon shall be delivered by a minister previously appointed, and our Lord's death commemorated in the sacrament of the supper.

All sessions shall be interspersed with devotional exercises, with a morning prayer-meeting each day, at such time as the Committee of Arrangements shall deem best.

IX. RULES. 1. At the hour of meeting in the morning, the Moderator shall take the chair, call the members to order, direct the roll to be called, open the session with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read. Each session shall be closed with prayer or singing.

2. No motion shall be discussed unless seconded. No member shall speak more than twice on the same motion, without liberty from the Association. Any motion or resolution shall, at the request of the Moderator or any two members, be reduced to writing.

3. The Moderator may speak on points of order, in preference to other members; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he shall not speak on the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and calling some one to preside while he speaks.

4. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question—namely, Shall the main question now be put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate and bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a committee, if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

5. If a question under debate contains several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

6. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair and shall be subject to no needless interruption. If he acts disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of the other members to call him to order.

7. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting without the consent of the Moderator.

X. CORRESPONDENCE. 1. The Association will maintain a fraternal relation with other ecclesiastical bodies, so far as this shall be deemed consistent with the principles of our organization, by the appointment and interchange of delegates. Representatives from ecclesiastical bodies with whom we are in correspondence shall have the privilege of sitting with us, and participating in our deliberations as honorary members.

2. The Secretary may also, in special cases, at his discretion, give credentials to any member of this body, entitling him to act as its representative at the meeting of similar bodies in other states.

XI. EXPENSES. The cost of printing the minutes, and other necessary expenses of this Association, shall be defrayed by assessments, apportioned among the several Conferences uniting in this organization, according to the number and relative strength of the churches belonging to each, and the Treasurer of each Conference shall be responsible to the Treasurer of the General Association for the amount so assessed.

XII. AMENDMENTS. Any of the foregoing articles, except the fundamental rules, may be amended or annulled at a regular meeting of this body in which two-thirds of the Associations and Conferences are represented, by a majority of the members voting.

MINUTES.

The General Association of New-Hampshire met, for its seventieth annual meeting, at Lebanon, in the Congregational Church, Tuesday, Sept. 16, at 7 o'clock P. M.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Samuel C. Bartlett, D.D., President of Dartmouth College. Text—Gal. I: 11, 12: "But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which is preached of me is not after man. For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ." Subject: The Two Gospels—Christ's and Man's.

After the sermon, the Association was called to order, and the following persons were enrolled as members:

DELEGATES FROM DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

Belknap—Rev. George I. Bard, Rev. Quincy Blakely, Rev. Jeremiah E. Fullerton, Rev. George H. Scott.

Derry—Rev. Ira C. Tyson, Rev. Cyrus W. Wallace, D. D., Rev. Albert Watson.

Hollis—Rev. Josiah G. Davis, D. D., Rev. Daniel Goodwin.

Merrimack—Rev. John H. Hoffman, Rev. Edwin L. Jaggar, Rev. Daniel McClenning, Rev. Howard Moody, Rev. Lyman White.

Monadnock—Rev. Henry H. Colburn, Rev. Cyrus Richardson, Rev. Gilbert B. Richardson, Rev. Henry W. L. Thurston.

Orange—Rev. Edward P. Butler, Rev. Francis B. Knowlton.

Piscataqua—Rev. Thos. V. Haines, Rev. Albert B. Peabody, Rev. Abram J. Quick, Rev. William A. Rand.

Sullivan—Rev. James T. Jackson, Rev. Charles M. Palmer, Rev. Levi Rodgers.

Union—Rev. George Dustan.

White River—Rev. Henry E. Parker, D. D., Rev. Alonzo B. Rich, D. D.

DELEGATES FROM CONFERENCES.

Cheshire—Dea. Sampson W. Buffum, Winchester; Dea. Cyrus Church, Walpole; Dea. Atwell C. Ellis, Sullivan; Rev. John C. Smith, Winchester.

Grafton—Dea. Amos Bailey, Lyme; Dea. Wm. G. Brown, Campton; Dea. Nathan B. Butrick, Bristol; Isaac Fellows, Hanover Center; William Minot, Bath.

Hillsboro'—Dea. Edward D. Boylston, Amherst.

Merrimack—Charles T. Page, Concord.

Rockingham—Dea. James R. Leavitt, North Hampton; Dea. Gyles Merrill, Plaistow; Charles W. Pressy, Hampstead; Dea. Hazen R. Underhill, Derry.

Sullivan—Merrit F. Colby, Meriden; Richard H. Thompson, Newport.

MEMBERS EX-OFFICIO.

Secretary—Rev. Franklin D. Ayer.

Statistical Secretary—Rev. Samuel L. Gerould.

Secretary New-Hampshire Home Missionary Society—Rev. Edward H. Greeley.

Committee of Arrangements—Rev. John M. Dutton, Rev. Samuel P. Leeds, D. D., William S. Carter, Esq.

Committee of Nominations—Rev. Ephraim E. P. Abbott.

Auditor—Hon. Lyman D. Stevens, Concord.

Preachers—Rev. Samuel C. Bartlett, D. D., Rev. Silvanus Hayward.

Leaders in Discussion—Rev. Clarendon A. Stone, Rev. Geo. E. Street, Rev. Austin H. Burr.

The Association was organized by the choice of Rev. George H. Scott, as Moderator; Rev. Fred L. Allen, as Scribe, and Dea. Hazen R. Underhill, as Assistant Scribe.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

8 *o'clock.* Prayer-meeting conducted by Rev. Edward P. Butler.

9 *o'clock.* Prayer.

Rev. Charles E. Harrington was chosen a member of the Committee of Nominations, to serve three years, and Rev. George Dustan, to serve one year.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Voted, To assess, for the expenses of the Association the ensuing year, the sum of one and one-fifth cents on our church membership.

Voted, That, in addition, we contribute one cent per member for the expenses of the National Council.

Rev. Silvanus Hayward, Rev. Edwin L. Jaggar, and Rev. Cyrus Richardson were chosen Committee of Inquiry.

9.45 *o'clock.* Prayer by Rev. Edwin L. Jaggar.

Rev. Franklin D. Ayer read an essay on "Character in the Preacher."

10.30 *o'clock.* Rev. Jeremiah E. Fullerton reported his attendance at the Free Baptist Yearly Meeting.

Rev. Nathan F. Tilden, of Lebanon, presented the greetings of the Baptist Conference.

Rev. Joseph E. Robbins, of Lebanon, reported from the Methodist Conference.

Dea. Wm. G. Brown presented the claims of the New-Hampshire Bible Society; and Rev. Wm. B. Brown, D. D., the claims of the American Congregational Union.

Voted, To recommend that a contribution be made, yearly, by every Congregational church in New-Hampshire, in aid of the American Congregational Union.

Rev. Wm. E. Locke, of the Bulgarian mission, spoke in behalf of the American Board.

Prayer by Dea. James R. Leavitt.

Singing. Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

2 *o'clock.* Singing.

Voted, To print, next year, 1500 copies of the Minutes, also 300 copies of the Narrative of the State of Religion, in its separate form.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That we regard the family institution as of Divine appointment, and as lying at the very foundation of public virtue.

Resolved, That we regard the frequency of divorce for inadequate causes, in this State, and in the country generally, as a very great evil, endangering the welfare of the family and of society; and that we earnestly request the members of our churches to use their influence by all fitting methods to secure such reform in legislation as may be needed to place our marriage laws upon a thoroughly right foundation.

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Adopted the following:

WHEREAS, At the last session of the legislature of New-Hampshire, it was enacted that all church property in excess of ten thousand dollars, should be taxed, And

WHEREAS, This law is to affect the churches of the state as they have not been affected in the past, Therefore be it

Resolved, That, in order to secure harmonious feeling, and intelligent and cheerful action in regard to the law, a committee of five be appointed by this body to examine the matter, and report, at the next meeting of the Association, the ground upon which the law is to be considered just, and hence to be supported; or the ground upon which it is to be otherwise considered—and recommend what action should be taken by the churches.

The following committee were appointed: Hon. Jonathan E. Sargent, Concord; Rev. Josiah G. Davis, D.D., Amherst; Hon. Edward Spalding, Nashua; Rev. Geo. B. Spalding, D.D., Dover; Hon. Charles R. Morrison, Manchester.

9.30 *o'clock*. The religious condition of Dartmouth College was presented by Rev. Samuel P. Leeds, D.D., and Rev. Samuel C. Bartlett, D.D.

Prayer in behalf of the College, by Rev. Edward H. Greeley.

Discussion—"The relation of pastoral work to a successful ministry." Opened by Rev. George E. Street, followed by Rev Samuel P. Leeds, D.D., Rev. George Dustan and Rev. Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D.

11 *o'clock*. Singing.

Discussion—"How shall we, as a denomination, retain our hold on the rural classes?" Opened by Rev. Austin H. Burr, followed by Dea. Hazen R. Underhill and Rev. Howard Moody.

Prayer by Rev. Levi Rodgers.

The following Resolutions were heartily adopted:

Resolved, That in the progress of Temperance, during the past year, we recognize with devout thanksgiving the power of prayer and the gospel in the reformation of men, and an indication of the justice of the sentiments of our Temperance Resolutions passed at our last meeting. And, therefore,

Resolved, That we feel all the more called upon to record our deep regret and reproof that, in any instance, the furtherence of the cause has been coupled with the desecration of the Sabbath, by the running of Sunday trains.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented by the Secretary to the Superintendents of the various railroads in the state and to the President of the State Temperance Society.

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this Association be extended to the people of Lebanon, for their kind hospitality, to the Committee of Arrangements for their efforts in providing for the Association, and to the railroad companies that have reduced the fare.

Resolved, That we appreciate the kindness of Nathaniel White, Esq., for the reduction he has made from regular rates in the distribution of the Minutes through the United States and Canada Express.

Voted, That the committee appointed last year on a religious journal in this state be continued.

The following persons were appointed to act within their several Conferences in behalf of the American Congregational Union: Rev. John L. Merrill, Rev. Charles E. Sumner, Rev. John M. Dutton, Rev. Samuel L. Gerould, Rev. John W. Colwell, Rev. Albert B. Peabody, Rev. George I. Bard, Rev. Charles M. Palmer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Voted, To adjourn *sine die* at the close of the Communion service this afternoon.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

2 *o'clock*. The sermon before the Sacrament was preached by Rev. Silvanus Hayward, from the text, I. Cor. XIII: 12—"For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know, even as also I am known."

Rev. Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D., and Rev. George Dustan officiated at the Communion Table.

Adjourned.

GEORGE H. SCOTT, *Moderator.*

FRED L. ALLEN, *Scribe.*

HAZEN R. UNDERHILL, *Assistant Scribe.*

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The view of the kingdom of Christ amongst us, which the annual narrative of the state of religion presents, is, necessarily, imperfect. One year it will be a report of the conversion of many sinners, the quickening of Christians and the increase of religious activity; another year, a record of religious depression, of coldness and indifference. When revivals are reported, we say we are in a very prosperous state; but when this sign is wanting, we are apt to feel that our situation is a discouraging one. Yet either statement may be untrue. Whether revivals are a blessing depends upon the character of the revival; whether apparent coldness betokens real indifference, must be determined by something more than a surface view. To know whether we are on the advance or the retrograde, we need to take into consideration a longer period than a single year.

Having read the reports of this year that came in from the various churches, and from these having determined what the general tenor of this narrative must be, it occurred to me to turn to the report presented fifty years ago. I was struck with the similarity of the view of Zion then taken, and that presented in most of the reports of this year. While some seasons of refreshing were recorded, and while the establishment of Sabbath Schools was rejoiced in, the low state of religion, indifference, coldness and Sabbath breaking, were deplored. So it is to-day. But, if we look over these fifty years, we shall perceive that there is no cause for discouragement, since the work of subduing the world to Christ has made very material advance. The population of the State is now about fifty thousand greater than then. To meet this increase, we have forty-six more churches. There was about one Congregational church to every eighteen

hundred inhabitants then; there is one to every sixteen hundred now. The increase in most of the other denominations has been greater than in our own. Our membership is eight thousand six hundred greater than then reported. The Sabbath School, the Temperance and the Anti-Slavery causes were then in their infancy. Missionary work in foreign lands had hardly gained a foothold. Education was confined to a few. I need not tell you what changes in these directions have been effected in the half century. So, though we may not see as much material advance in the last year as we desire, we need not lose heart, or feel that nothing has been accomplished.

While very few revivals are reported, there has been no lack of effort, on the part of the ministry and prayer-meeting Christians, to awaken the interest of the lukewarm, of backsliders, and of sinners. Meetings somewhat like the "protracted meetings" of our fathers, have been held in many places, the pastors of neighboring churches preaching. The month of January, which, by a recommendation starting with Mr. Moody, was proposed should be spent in holding extra meetings and in making special effort, was observed by many of our churches. Evangelists have been employed; the executive committee of the Young Men's Christian Association, under the leadership of Mr. Allen Folger, have made their annual canvass of the State. All of these efforts have been alluded to by the pastors as exceedingly helpful, resulting in the conversion of some and in the growth in grace of more. Without particularizing what the efforts in any given place have been, and without specifying, in any case, from whose words I quote, let me give you some of the statements that have been made in answer to the questions sent out.

REVIVAL INTEREST—THE EFFECT OF THE WORD AS DECLARED FROM THE PULPIT.

"Every heart in the church quickened, so that now people attend divine service in stormy weather," writes one. "The two churches in this place, heretofore at variance, are now working together in harmony," says another. "Steady gain, without any marked result;" "No revival, but nine added to the church by profession;" "We feel thankful for *expected*

blessings;" are the statements of others. Are we not more likely to deplore the absence of present blessings, than, with the last pastor, to look forward with faith to those that are promised? Another says: "No revival, but the Spirit's presence manifested in the conversion of several. One preaching service has proved successful beyond expectation. There has been an increased attendance on the social meetings through the year. The subjects are announced from the pulpit, and a committee, changed every quarter, provide for variety, and bring forward the brethren to the work." Is not organized effort generally more successful than unorganized? From one of the rural parishes, where, as I happen to know, three school districts had become entirely depopulated, and the others greatly decimated, by removals, the pastor says: "Some Christian families are moving into town; among them some of the old residents are returning." From a little church consisting of one male and three female members, and no other church in town much stronger, comes this cry from the mother in Israel who acts as clerk: "I do wish we could have for one year a good Congregational minister, who was willing to work, and see if anything could be done in the way of a revival." Two conversions the past winter are reported from this place. One pastor says: "Attendance less, but attention better;" another, "No revival, but a revival interest through the year;" another, "Congregation doubled;" while still another says, "We have endeavored to keep ourselves in such a condition as would prevent surprise if many had inquired, 'What must I do to be saved?'"

A church of another demonination was organized, which drew off some of the usual Sabbath audience from one of our churches. But we have this report in compensation: "Extra meetings were held in January, resulting in a great increase of interest and in several conversions." From another place: "A Young People's Band keep up a weekly meeting;" from still another, "A continuous revival through the year, with but few extra meetings." I may add that this church has sent substantially the same report for two or three years previously. Would that we all might learn the secret of this pastor and his flock. This sig-

nificant statement comes from one of the small churches: "Our members feel the same obligation to help each other that the Masons and the Odd Fellows do."

The death of the mother of a young man in one of our towns led to his conversion, and this to a quiet work of grace, in which six were hopefully converted. So God causes His providence to work out His glory. Without any knowledge of the facts, I venture the statement that that mother had long prayed for that son, and died without having her prayers answered. This should be an encouragement to persistent and importunate prayer. The pastor of one of our important churches says that he and a few others have kept up a weekly service at a destitute paper mill village three miles out. I may say that so much work of this sort is reported that I cannot stop to specify.

Revivals are reported from Andover, Boscawen, North Conway, Hampstead, Hanover, Meredith Village, North Hampton, Rochester, Tamworth, and Wolfeboro', not to mention some of those churches heretofore alluded to. The cheering word from Boscawen is, "The whole community have been aroused, the church united, and quite a number of hopeful conversions." Twenty-five were to have united with the church in July. The pastor at North Conway says, "We have had a continual refreshing through the year, during which time one hundred have expressed a desire to become Christians." From Hampstead, we hear that, "During the past three years, this church has enjoyed a continuous revival; now the drops, then the shower. Sixteen have been added to the church by confession during the year." The work at North Hampton, Tamworth and Rochester began by a season of preparation on the part of the Christians in these places, and this was followed by the labors of Messrs. Folger and Jackson. This is the characteristic statement of the pastor at Meredith Village: "We observed January according to the Moody call; kept it up through February and March. About ninety came forward for prayers. For five Sabbaths the three churches met together in the town hall for all their services. The most prominent feature ef the work was the return of backsliders. The Spirit seems to have overlooked the fact that we have had but one sermon on the Sabbath, and blesses

one fully as much as two. The devil has had to take a back seat, and though we know he isn't dead yet, there are more to watch him than formerly. We have a new chapel, with a kitchen, but have had to stick so closely to religious meetings, we have had no time to use the kitchen."

The net gain of additions over removals to our churches the last year, is three hundred and eighty-four, an average of two to each church. Three hundred and seventy-one members have died, three hundred and forty-five dismissed to other churches, twenty-two expelled or dropped, while seven hundred and thirty-nine were added by confession, and three hundred and eighty-three by letter. This number is much smaller than in some years, but if there has been joy in heaven over each one reported to have come into the kingdom, is it not richly worth any sacrifice or toil that may have been given?

THE SABBATH SCHOOLS.

It is pleasant to be able to say that the interest in this part of the Sabbath services is evidently on the increase. There has been a falling off in some schools, and yet it is doubtful if there was ever a time when so many were studying the Word of God, as now. This has been brought about, in part at least, by the international system of lessons and the multiplication of helps. And yet, a wail over this system comes from one or two churches, and the inquiry, "Cannot a better system be found?" In time, undoubtedly, a better system will be found, and then we shall all be ready to adopt it.

Large adult classes are reported from many of the churches,—one of the hill towns has a class of twenty-seven. In another town the school is made up mostly of adults, as there are few children there. At Bedford, Derry, Lee and Lyme, and doubtless in other places not reported, one, two or three outside Sabbath Schools are sustained, with encouraging results. At Antrim, Campton, Nelson, Roxbury, Winchester and Windham, nearly the entire congregation remain to the Sabbath School; while Amherst, Keene (1st and 2d), North Hampton and Pelham say their schools were never more prosperous. The library of the school in Alstead is "kept *fresh* by the yearly addition of books selected *with care*." The fifty-third anniversary of

the school at Newmarket was celebrated in May, with appropriate and interesting exercises. Several speak of the benefit that has come to them in consequence of giving up one preaching service, while one, in this abandonment, sees signs of approaching evil.

The total number enrolled in our schools is twenty-four thousand and forty-seven; the average attendance reported being fourteen thousand nine hundred and fifty-six. This is just about one for each family in our parishes. Does this indicate that the Congregational families of the State have but one person in them able to attend the Sabbath School, or does it indicate too much indifference?

SOCIAL MEETINGS.

As usual, the reports concerning the prayer and conference meetings are various. Very many mourn that so few attend; a few speak of very interesting and well attended meetings, even where there has been no special manifestation of God's grace; while those where God has come in reviving power, are, of course, largely attended and full of interest. Singing and the repetition of passages of Scripture are alluded to by many as means by which the fervor of these meetings is sustained. The pastor at Bethlehem says "there are three or four families who come four and five miles, and are seldom absent." "Many young people attend" at Bath. A Sunday morning prayer-meeting has been started in Lyme, to pray for a blessing upon the services of the day. If we had more of such prayers, would not our preaching be likely to be more effective? At Atkinson two-thirds of the Sabbath congregation attend, and it is difficult to find time for all who wish to take part. At Boscawen, for three months, the attendance has been nearly as large as at the public services of the Sabbath. "About fifty are pledged to take part in all the social meetings." The young people's prayer-meetings connected with the first church in Concord, are aided by having the subject assigned and printed quarterly. At Fisherville, the Holy Spirit has manifestly been present at every meeting. In Exeter, with both churches, there has been a marked increase of attendance, especially of male members, while at Kingston, the attendants are mostly females. In Tam-

worth, no appointment fails to secure a good attendance. A young people's meeting has been established in Franklin, which gives promise of usefulness. In two or three other places, ladies' prayer-meetings have been started. In Goffstown there has been such a meeting for a period longer than most of the oldest people can remember. In Bedford, Canterbury, Hopkinton, Jaffrey, Keene, Mont Vernon, Peterboro' and Windham, meetings are held in out-districts, with most encouraging results. In Canterbury and Jaffrey there are two, and in Hopkinton three, such meetings sustained regularly. In Windham, Sabbath afternoon meetings are held in nearly all the school-houses in town.

This is a state of things that should cheer the hearts of all Christians. When the time shall come that each disciple shall feel that he has a part in the work of preaching the gospel to every creature, and shall realize that some part, at least, of that work lies at his very door, we shall have entered upon a more hopeful period. No one will then have occasion to say, as one pastor now does, in relation to the home prayer-meeting, "It is gasping for breath, choked by the cares of the world and the love of Mammon."

BENEVOLENCE.

We have been passing through exceptionally hard times. The business interests of the State and the country have been prostrated. It has been difficult for many to obtain money, beyond what was required for the barest necessaries of life. It would be expected that the contributions for benevolent objects would be diminished in proportion with other things. It sometimes happens that curtailment of expenses *begins* in withholding from religious objects. But I am glad to be able to say that such has not been the case in this State the last year. Parish expenses have decreased about six thousand dollars, but the benevolent contributions are eighteen thousand six hundred and forty-five dollars and two cents larger than in the previous year. The aggregate contributions were fifty-four thousand three hundred and fifteen dollars and seventy-seven cents, of which all but about twelve thousand dollars went to Congregational objects.

These are the reports as they were sent to me. True, they include a few large legacies. A private record I have kept, made from the acknowledgments of the various organizations, shows that some gifts and legacies were not reported at all. These would increase the amount by more than two thousand dollars.

The increase, doubtless, is largely the result of systematic giving in some of its forms. Many churches have adopted the envelope system, and declare that nothing would induce them to return to the old methods. The banner church, I think, must be Gilsum, which has given, on an average, three dollars and thirty cents for each resident member. This, the pastor says, was for the ordinary contributions. If special contributions be added, it will amount to half as much more. Had the same rate prevailed throughout the State, we should have raised nearly seventy-one thousand dollars.

One church reports that more than half the contributions come from the ladies. It is not likely that their means of giving is greater than that of gentlemen; doubtless this results from their system of giving. The astonishing announcement comes from one of the churches that their "Female Cent Society has been extended, to take in *males*, and the members are not now limited to paying one cent a week." Possibly the benevolence of some other churches could be brought up in a similar way. Then, no one would have occasion to say, as one pastor does now, "Some of our people think charity begins at home, but I am sorry to say that, in such cases, it hasn't got far from home yet." They would realize rather that there was a blessing for the giver greater than to the receiver; or, as another exprssses it, "Our contribution is about all that gives us a name to live."

In this place I desire to record the opportune gift of ten thousand dollars to the American Missionary Association, from Dea. Moses P. Page, of Gilmanton. When this Association was in peril on account of its debt, God moved the heart of this New-Hampshire farmer to come to its relief. So we are reminded again that His providences fit together, and work together for good to them that love Him. Our extremities seem, thus, to become His opportunities.

TEMPERANCE.

The temperance cause is making very gratifying progress. Few moral movements have advanced as rapidly as this for a few years. Legal suasion, moral suasion, and, better than all, gospel suasion, have been at work to secure this result. The gospel temperance revival that had its beginning with us, at Dover, a few years since, is sweeping all over the State. Among those specially blessed the last year, I may mention Colebrook, where four hundred have signed the pledge, and twenty-five of the leading citizens have been appointed to enforce the law; Farmington, where twelve hundred signed the pledge, and five thousand dollars was pledged to prevent the sale of liquor; and Meredith Village, where everything has felt the influence of the temperance revival, and where, it is said, the reformed men cling to the church for support. Other towns have been as signally blessed, perhaps, but have not been reported. Regular temperance meetings are held by many of the churches. Many of the towns have voted to prohibit the sale of malt liquors and cider, and the vote is being enforced. From several places the report comes, "No rum sold in this town." In Gorham, the people have been so toned up that, the ministers of the place have undertaken to enforce the law in their hotels. From two or three churches we get this word: "No call for a temperance work in this town, as no liquor is sold, and little or none drank." An obstacle, however, appears in some places, and perhaps the same is manifest in many towns where no allusion to it has been made. It is referred to in this way: "Cider is the great bane here;" "Our people are not tolerant to rum-drinking or selling, but a little too easy in respect to cider drinking;" "No intoxicating drink can be obtained here, except from farmers' cider barrels;" "The temperance work has stopped, some say, because it has run against too many cider barrels."

HINDERANCES.

The world, the flesh and the devil, in some of their forms, are as active now as ever they were. If evil is overcome in one direction, it arises in force in another. The time when we can cease our warfare has not yet arrived. Satan will hinder the Lord's work until the Lord shall bind him. So we have no

reason to be disheartened because of his activity. It *may* be a good sign to see him specially active.

Some of the special hinderances that have been enumerated by the brethren are these: "Summer boarders prevent our people from attending church from July till October;" "Meeting-house out of repair, and little public spirit;" "Opposition to the pastor," reported by a layman; "Secret societies," which several mention; "Hard times, people trying to make up for losses by extra work;" "Some imperfect Christians claiming to be perfect; the lack of grace to rebuke and to be rebuked;" "The use of tobacco;" "Great icebergs of cold indifference." The death of Dea. A. K. Merrill, of Haverhill, and Dea. C. P. Locke, of Marlboro', are alluded to by their respective pastors as casting a dark shadow over them. Both were men of prayer, who have served their generation faithfully, and will not soon be forgotten. If all those who are called by the name of Christ were as active as these brethren have been, we who are pastors would work more hopefully.

I have enumerated but a few of the hinderances reported. Perhaps most of us will find in our parishes some or all of these obstacles. But if there were no enemy to fight, there would be no need of soldiers. It is a willingness to walk by faith, and not by sight, we need. God will not reveal His plans, only as He brings them to pass. Our duty is to labor on, being always obedient to the heavenly vision. We have seen, and, doubtless, shall see, how He can restrain the wrath of man, and cause the remainder to praise Him.

We are reminded that what we do we must do quickly. From the ranks of the active ministry of this State, two have been removed within the year,—Rev. John Adams, of Hillsborough Center, and Rev. Abraham Burnham, of West Stewartstown, until within a short time at East Concord. They died on the 19th and 20th of May, respectively. On the 15th, passed away Rev. Bezaleel Smith, without charge, at West Randolph, Vt. Though dying in another, his native State, his ministerial work, extending over forty-one years, was spent in New Hampshire. Rev. Edwin Seabury died at Walpole, June 13. The evening of his life was spent with us, though his active labors had been

given elsewhere. Rev. Job Cushman, once at Springfield and Bristol; Rev. Moses G. Grosvenor, once at Acworth and Marlbpro'; Rev. Ebenezer Newhall, once at Chesterfield and Litchfield; and Rev. Thomas Jameson, once at Conway and Effingham,—have died without the State. As we believe, these all died in the faith, and are now entered into rest. For us who remain, the toil is now, but the rest will come by-and-by.

SAMUEL L. GEROULD,
Statistical Secretary.

ITEMS FROM THE CHURCHES.

Alstead, 2d.—Meeting-house re-shingled.

Alstead, 3d.—Meeting-house re-shingled, walls frescoed, new pulpit furniture, and new heating apparatus.

Atkinson.—Meeting-house repaired to the amount of $1500.

Barnstead Parade.—Received a legacy of $500.

Barrington.—Has a new church Manual.

Bath.—A new bell; books costing $50 added to S. S. Library.

Bethlehem.—Meeting-house carpeted, walls tinted, seats cushioned, and all debts paid.

Boscawen.—Meeting-house painted; a debt of a few hundred dollars paid.

Brentwood.—Received a gift of $1000.

Bristol.—Debts paid, to the amount of $1150; $100 expended on parsonage and meeting-house grounds.

Brookline.—$200 of debt paid.

Campton.—Has a vestry in construction.

Canterbury.—Ladies procured a new communion service.

Claremont.—A church Manual printed in January, the first in the history of this church.

Concord, 1st.—A legacy of $1000 received from Nathan K. Abbott.

Cornish.—Parsonage extensively repaired; a legacy of $1000 received from Mrs. Sarah W. Westgate.

Dalton.—Parsonage repaired.

Deerfield.—Meeting-house and parsonage painted; society received $1000, and Sabbath School $100,—legacies from Mrs. Dr. Stephen Brown.

Derry.—Debt of $500 nearly paid.

Dover, 1st.—Meeting-house remodeled and repaired, involving expense of $20,000; parsonage purchased costing $5000.

Epping.—Debt of $200 paid.

Epsom.—Meeting-house thoroughly repaired.

Exeter, 1st.—Vestries repaired and renovated.

Exeter, 2d.—Chapel repaired, painted and carpeted, at expense of $400.

Great Falls.—$8000 raised to liquidate debt.

Greenland.—Furnaces costing $275, and a chandelier costing $75 (the latter a gift of a sister of the church), provided for the meeting-house.

Groton.—$150 expended in repairing meeting-house.

Hanover Center.—"Watts and Select Hymns" changed for "Songs for the Sanctuary."

Hinsdale.—Meeting-house new-carpeted, papered and painted inside; new pulpit furniture; vestry repaired.

Hopkinton.—Received legacy of $500 from Miss Sophia Bailey.

Kingston.—Meeting-house repaired; a new bell; all costing $1500.

Lebanon, West.—$131 expended for new lamps for meeting-house, and for fitting up orchestra.

Lyme.—A new organ secured through efforts of one of the ladies.

Lyndeboro'.—Parsonage repaired.

Manchester, 1st.—A new meeting-house in process of erection.

Manchester, Franklin St.—Meeting-house enlarged and altered at expense of $22,000; virtually paid for by subscriptions on pew rentals.

Marlboro'.—Debt of over $400 paid by ladies; a gift of $150 received from Warren H. Wilkinson, a native of the town.

Meredith Village.—Has a new chapel.

Meriden.—$200 expended on parsonage.

Merrimack.—New pulpit furniture; parsonage repaired.

Milford.—$762 of debt paid.

Monroe.—Small debt paid; communion service received from church in Lyme.

Mont Vernon.—A new furnace for meeting-house.

Nashua, 1st.—$600 expended in enlarging social rooms of church.

Nelson.—Parsonage shingled.

New Ipswich.—Meeting-house repaired and painted; new lamps; all costing $900.

Newmarket.—$300 expended in repairing meeting-house.

Newmarket, South.—Debt paid; legacy of $6000 received, income to be used for support of minister; $40 expended on parsonage.

Orfordville.—Meeting-house repaired at expense of $100.

Peterboro'.—$640 expended in repairing and painting meeting-house, providing new windows, blinds and carpet.

Plymouth.—Parsonage repaired at expense of $100.

Rindge.—$80 expended on parsonage.

Roxbury.—Meeting-house re-shingled, and painted inside.

Salem.—Debt of $800 pledged, and mostly paid.

Salmon Falls.—Meeting-house re-carpeted; new pulpit furniture; vestry carpeted and re-furnished; all paid for.

Stoddard.—$20 expended on parsonage.

Tilton.—Meeting-house painted.

Troy.—A new chandelier and carpet provided for the meeting-house; received legacy of $150 from Dea. Abel Baker.

Wilmot.—Meeting-house painted.

Winchester.—$200 expended on lecture-room.

Windham.—Parsonage painted; $50 paid on debt.

Wolfeboro'.—A new organ provided, costing $200.

MINISTERS' AND WIDOWS' CHARITABLE FUND.

The annual meeting of the Trustees of the Ministers' and Widows' Charitable Fund was held at the house of Asa McFarland, Esq., in Concord, on Wednesday, June 4, 1879, at 2 P. M. The following members of the Board were present, namely: Hon. Jonathan E. Sargent, Rev. F. D. Ayer, Rev. Charles E. Harrington, Rev. M. T. Runnels, of Sanbornton, Hon. John W. Noyes, of Chester, Shadrach Seavey, Francis A. Fisk and Asa McFarland.

The President, Rev. Wm. R. Jewett, not being able, on account of ill health, to be present, Hon. Jonathan E. Sargent was chosen President *pro tem.*

Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Ayer.

The Treasurer, Shadrach Seavey, Esq., of Concord, read his annual report, which was accepted, adopted, and ordered to be placed on file.

Proceeded, by ballot, to elect officers, with the following result:

President—REV. WM. R. JEWETT.
Treasurer—SHADRACH SEAVEY, ESQ.
Secretary—ASA MCFARLAND, ESQ.
Auditors—LYMAN D. STEVENS, FRANCIS A. FISK.

There being a vacancy in the Board of Trustees, Rev. Edward G. Selden, of Manchester, was chosen.

PRESENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

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[*Note by the Secretary.*—The Constitution provides that the Board shall consist of fourteen members, of whom *seven* shall be ordained clergymen, and that *five* members constitute a quorum. The annual meeting—and that is usually the only one in the year—is of only one or two hours' duration; and it has been found, by long experience, that, in order to procure the attendance of the number necessary to legally transact business, a majority of the Board must consist of inhabitants of Concord. The members of the present Board, chosen by the General Association, are Rev. Mr. Runnels, of Sanbornton, and Hon. John W. Noyes, of Chester.]

APPROPRIATIONS.

Authority to make appropriations is, by the constitution, given to the Prudential Committee, which consists of the President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who met immediately after the session of the Board, and appropriated eighty dollars each to three clergymen, fifty to a fourth, and forty dollars each to six widows of clergymen. One hundred dollars were also appropriated for the benefit of Mrs. Lizzie H. Burnham, widow of Rev. Abraham Burnham, formerly of East Concord, who died in West Stewartstown, after a residence in the ministry there of only a few months.

MEMORIAL MEMBERS,

BY THE PAYMENT OF TEN DOLLARS EACH.

Concord—Mrs. Asa McFarland.
" Mrs. Benjamin P. Stone.
" Mrs. Nathaniel Bouton.
Fisherville—Rev. William R. Jewett.
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Hanover—Mrs. Henry E. Parker.
" Mrs. S. P. Leeds.
" Mrs. Anna P. Emerson.
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" Mrs. Betsey Shaw.
Zanesville, Ohio—A daughter of New-Hampshire.
Center Harbor—Mrs. Susan S. Moulton.
Greenland—A widow's offering.
Haverhill, Mass.—Mrs. Moses Kimball.
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" Rev. S. L. Blake.
" Mrs. Isabel M. Blake.

Concord—Mrs. Clara D. Berry.
" Mrs. Hazen Pickering.
" Mrs. Juliana P. Lang.
Boscawen—Mrs. John Greenough.
Pembroke—Rev. Lyman White.
Fisherville—Mrs. Hannah A. C. Jewett.
Bangor, Me.—Mrs. Mehitable S. Coe, by her son, Eben S. Coe.
Waltham, Mass.—Mrs. Rebekah Jewett.
" " Miss Elizabeth Jewett.
South Newmarket—Mrs. Joseph Bartlett.
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Claremont—Rev. Christopher Marsh, by his daughter.
" Mrs. E. L. Goddard.
Concord—Mrs. N. S. Batchelder.
Raynham, Mass.—Ella L. Mann, by Asa Mann.
Plymouth—Rev. Jonathan Ward, by Mrs. Arthur Ward.
Concord—Mrs. Belinda Seavey.
Rockport, Mass.—Rev. David Jewett, by his son.
Newton, Mass.—David B. Jewett, by his sister.
Milford—Rev. John M. Ellis, by Mrs. Josephine M. Ellis.
Concord—Asa McFarland, Esq.
Amherst—Rev. William Clark, D.D.
" Mrs. Mary C. Clark.
Fisherville—Edward Jewett Tucker, by his father, Rev. W. R. Jewett.
Laconia—Rev. John K. Young, by Congregational Church and Society.
Atkinson—Col. Wm. Page and Mrs. Elizabeth Page, by their son, Rev. Joseph Page.
Hanover—Rev. Asa D. Smith, D.D.
Keene—Rev. Artemas Boies and Mrs. Susan Boies, by their daughter, Miss Lauretta Boies.
Newton, Mass.—Rev. John Whitney, Mrs. Mary A. Whitney, and Mrs. Lavinia M. Jewett, by Miss E. C. Jewett.
Hanover—Mrs. Asa D. Smith.
Concord—Rev. William R. Jewett, for Ralph W. Jewett, of Hollis.
Chester—Mrs. John W. Noyes.
Concord—Mrs. Richard Herbert, by her daughter, Mary C. Herbert.
" Mrs. Charlotte H. Woolson, by her daughter, Charlotte A. Woolson.
Pittsfield, Mass.—Rev. John Todd, by Mrs. C. I. Hill.
Sanbornton—Mrs. Fannie Runnels, by Rev. Moses T. Runnels.
Loudon—Mrs. Hannah Stevens.
Plainfield—Rev. Jacob Scales.
" Mrs. Tenney K. Gage.
Pelham—Rev. John H. Church, D.D.
New York City—Rev. Wm. Jewett Tucker, by Rev. Wm. R. Jewett.
Hollis—Mrs. R. W. Jewett, by Rev. Wm. R. Jewett.
Laconia—Mrs. John K. Young, by Rev. Wm. R. Jewett.
Nashua—Mrs. Alma L. Curtis.
Concord—Mrs. F. D. Ayer.
New York City—Mrs. Charlotte R. Tucker, by Rev. Wm. R. Jewett.
Concord—Miss Anne A. McFarland, " " "
" Mrs. Laura A. McFarland, " " "
Keene—Rev. Artemas Boies.
Manchester—Mrs. Susan A. Wallace, by Rev. C. W. Wallace, D.D.
New York City—Alice L. Tucker and Margaret Tucker, by Rev. Wm. R. Jewett.

CONTRIBUTIONS AND OTHER INCOME.

July 30, 1878.	By Cong. Church and Society, Gilsum.....	$4.25
Sept. 10, "	Contributed at the General Association.....	40.03
" "	First Cong. Church and Society, Keene.....	14.37
Oct. 19, "	From Hon. Dexter Richards, Newport.....	50.00
Nov. 6, "	Cong. Church and Society, Plymouth.....	31.85
" 27, "	" " " Winchester.....	5.67
Dec. "	" " " Laconia.....	6.71
	Legacy of Miriam F. Brown, Deerfield.....	1,147.81
Jan. 5, 1879.	First Cong. Church and Society, Concord.....	13.25
	South Cong. Church and Society, Concord.....	35.33
Jan. 14, "	Cong. Church and Society, Goffstown.....	9.32
	Legacy of Dea. Joshua Brooks, Portsmouth...	100.00
Feb. 1, "	Cong. Church and Society, Rochester.....	25.00
Mar. 31, "	" " " Sanbornton.....	16.00
	Dartmouth College Church.....	63.65
	Cong. Church and Society, Chester.....	10.00
	" " " Rindge.....	7.22
	Ladies of Exeter.....	29.50
	Mrs. E. T. Bridge.....	1.00
	Cong. Church and Society, Henniker.....	5.00
	From Memorial Members.....	40.00
	Interest on permanent funds.....	671.49
		$2,327.45

In behalf of the Trustees,

ASA McFARLAND, *Secretary.*

Concord, July 31, 1879.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

General Association of New-Hampshire in account with SAMUEL L. GEROULD.

			Cr.
Aug. 15, 1878.	By balance from last year,		$300.52
" 24, "	By cash from Coos Conference, assessment	1878,	9.00
" " "	" " Strafford Conference, "	"	33.00
June 14, 1879.	" " Coos "	" 1879,	15.00
" 19, "	" " Rockingham "	" "	78.17
" 24, "	" " Merrimack "	" "	66.32
July 4, "	" " Cheshire, "	" "	63.26
" 8, "	" " Sullivan, "	" "	14.49
	(Of Nat. Council assessment, $10 paid direct.)		
Aug. 7, 1879.	By cash from Grafton Conference, ass'm't	1879,	48.71
" " "	" " Hillsboro' "	" "	133.17
" 10 "	" " Strafford "	" "	56.41
		Total,	$818.05

		Dr.
Sept. 10, 1878.	To cash paid Rev. F. D. Ayer, postage and express,	$4.70
Oct. 15, "	To cash paid R. W. Musgrove, printing Narrative, Minutes, etc.,	162.98
Jan. 31, 1879.	To cash paid R. W. Musgrove, for printing circulars,	4.50
June 18, "	To cash paid Cong. chs. Berlin and Gorham, assessment returned,	1.65
Aug. 11, "	To cash paid postage, express and stationery,	12.40
" " "	" " salary Statistical Secretary,	50.00
	Balance now in treasury,	581.82
	Total,	$818.05

CONCORD, N. H., Aug. 11, 1879.

This certifies that I have examined the account of Rev. S. L. Gerould, Treasurer of the General Association, and find the same correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers, and showing a balance of $581.82 remaining in the Treasury.

L. D. STEVENS, *Auditor.*

THE ANNUAL STATISTICS.

ASSOCIATIONS.

ABBREVIATIONS: *P.—Pastor; A. P.—Acting Pastor; W. C.—Without Charge; T.—Teacher; Phys.—Physician.*

I. BELKNAP ASSOCIATION.

Organized 20 April, 1841. QUINCY BLAKELY, Scribe.

Meets Tuesday before the last Sabbath in January and October, and second Tuesday in May and August.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't.*
William F. Bacon,	*Chelsea, Mass.*	26 Sept., '67	23 Jan., '72	W. C.
George I. Bard,	Meredith Village.	17 Oct., '60	23 Oct., '73	P.
Almon Benson,	Center Harbor.	23 Dec., '40	20 April, '41	W. C.
Joseph Blake, D.D.,	*Andover, Mass.*	3 Mar., '41	July, '60	P.
Quincy Blakely,	Campton.	16 Feb., '59	6 Sept., '64	P.
John Clark,	Plymouth.	23 Jan., '35	'55	W. C.
Liba Conant,	Bristol.	29 May, '23	14 May, '50	W. C.
David Connell,	Woodstock.	20 Nov., '42	23 Oct., '77	W. C.
James B. Hadley,	Campton.	20 Sept., '37	5 Nov., '61	W. C.
David S. Hibbard,	*Elliot, Me.*	26 July, '60	13 May, '73	A. P.
Giles Leach,	Meredith Village.	6 Feb., '33	8 Aug., '71	W. C.
Moses T. Runnels,	Sanbornton.	13 Aug., '56	'66	P.
George H. Scott,	Plymouth.	3 Sept., '73	23 Oct., '73	P.
Charles L. Tappan,	Sandwich.	28 Jan., '64	13 May, '73	W. C.

II. DERRY ASSOCIATION.

Organized 7 May, 1834. CHARLES H. TAINTOR, Scribe.

Meets third Tuesday in February, April, June, October and December.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't.*
Augustus Berry,	Pelham,	30 Oct., '61	12 Jan., '64	P.
Ebenezer W. Bullard,	*Stockbridge, Mass.*	8 Aug., '38	27 June, '71	W. C.
Wm. V. W. Davis,	Manchester.	12 Sept., '77	14 Oct., '77	P.
Samuel L. Gerould,	Goffstown.	2 Oct., '61	13 July, '69	P.
Robert W. Haskins,	*Baldwinville, Mass.*	19 Nov., '72	24 June, '73	A. P.
Charles L. Hubbard,	*West Boxford, Mass.*	2 Sept., '68	13 Oct., '68	A. P.
Charles T. Melvin,	Atkinson.	18 Oct., '59	12 Oct., '75	A. P.
Charles Packard,	Windham.	6 May, '46	24 June, '73	P.
Jesse Page,	Atkinson.	16 Sept., '35	5 Feb., '61	W. C.
A. Burton Palmer,	*Saratoga, Cal.*	1 Feb., '76	5 June, '77	A. P.
William H. Rand, M.D.,	New Hampton.	17 Jan., '72	5 May, '74	Phys.
Edward G. Selden,	Manchester.	16 Dec., '73	13 Jan., '74	P.
Charles H. Taintor,	South Weare.	29 May, '79	'79	P.
Charles Tenney,	Chester.	7 Feb., '44	18 June, '72	P.
Ira C. Tyson,	Bedford.	7 Oct., '62	10 Jan., '71	W. C.
Cyrus W. Wallace, D.D.,	Manchester.	8 Jan., '40	5 Feb., '61	W. C.
Albert Watson,	Hampstead.	27 June, '71	20 Feb., '77	P.

III. HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

Organized 4 March, 1834. No Scribe; no meetings. Records in hands of Rev. E. P. Eastman

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't.*
Nathaniel Barker,	Wakefield.	1 Nov., '26	Not given.	W. C.
James Doldt,	Canterbury.	21 Sept., '43	"	A. P.

IV. HOLLIS ASSOCIATION.

Organized 5 May, 1762. GEORGE F. MERRIAM, Scribe.

Meets first Tuesday in February, May, August and November.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't.*
Jeremiah K. Aldrich.	Nashua.	17 Feb., '63	6 Feb., '77	A. P.
Frederick Alvord,	Nashua.	21 July, '58	2 Nov., '69	P.
William Clark, D.D.,	Amherst.	30 April, '28	4 May, '52	W. C.
Josiah G. Davis, D.D.,	Amherst.	22 May, '44	5 Nov., '44	P.
Daniel Goodwin,	Mason.	27 Feb., '39	14 May, '39	W. C.
George Goodyear,	Temple.	22 July, '28	16 Nov., '55	W. C.
Seth H. Keeler, D.D.,	*Somerville, Mass.*	15 Oct., '29	4 May, '69	W. C.
Sanford S. Martyn,	*Terre Haute, Ind.*	29 April, '68	4 April, '75	P.
George F. Merriam,	Greenville.	9 Mar., '65	6 Feb., '66	P.
George Pierce, jr.,	*North Andover, Mass.*	14 Oct., '63	28 July, '74	P.
Austin Richards, D.D.,	*Boston, Mass.*	7 Nov., '27	10 May, '36	W. C.
Thomas S. Robie,	*Carver, Mass.*	25 Oct., '59	6 May, '73	A. P.
Frank D. Sargent,	Brookline.	20 Oct., '69	2 Aug., '70	P.
Bela N. Seymour,	*Vernon, Conn.*	20 June, '55	13 July, '75	A. P.
Amos F. Shattuck,	Hollis.	3 June, '68	2 Feb., '75	W. C.
William R. Tisdale,	Mason.	25 April, '47	'79	A. P.
Charles Wetherby,	*Clinton, Mass.*	28 Sept., '59	28 July, '74	P.
William H. Woodwell,	Mont Vernon.	12 June, '73	4 Sept., '77	A. P.

V. LANCASTER ASSOCIATION.

Organized 13 August, 1833. No Scribe; no meetings. Records in hands of Rev. L. G. Chase, Guildhall, Vt.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't.*
Leonard W. Harris,	*Lunenburg, Vt.*	2 Nov., '42	Feb., '70	A. P.

VI. MERRIMACK ASSOCIATION.

Organized 29 August, 1788. CHARLES E. HARRINGTON, Scribe.

Meets Tuesday after first Sabbath in January, March, May, July, Sept. and Nov.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't*
Franklin D. Ayer,	Concord.	1 May, '61	19 May, '68	P.
Austin H. Burr,	Franklin.	3 Nov., '75	'77	P.
Edward Buxton,	Webster.	10 Apr., '36	April, '36	P.
John W. Colwell,	Pittsfield.	22 Sept., '75	5 Jan., '78	A. P.
Jonathan B. Cook,	Hebron.	18 Dec., '50	20 Oct., '68	W. C.
Corban Curtice,	Tilton.	5 Oct., '43	June, '46	W. C.
Albert W. Fiske,	Fisherville.	28 May, '33	13 May, '57	W. C.
George A. Foss,	*Pawlet, Vt.*	24 Feb., '74	9 Nov., '75	A. P.
Joseph A. Freeman,	*Broad Brook, Conn.*	30 June, '75	9 Nov., '75	A. P.
Daniel Goodhue,	Pembroke.	2 May, '48	12 Nov., '78	W. C.
Edward H. Greeley,	Concord.	7 Nov., '49	'76	†
Charles E. Harrington,	Concord.	27 Oct., '74	3 Sept., '78	P.
John H. Hoffman,	Hopkinton.	21 Aug., '77	14 Jan., '79	P.
William R. Jewett,	Concord.	18 Jan., '37	17 Jan., '65	W. C.
Henry A. Kendall,	East Concord.	21 Oct., '40	14 Oct., '51	W. C.
Daniel McClenning,*	East Concord.	29 April, '52	6 Mar., '77	W. C.
Howard Moody,	East Andover.	22 Nov., '43	9 Jan., '44	A. P.
Frederick T. Perkins,	Tilton.	11 Jan., '43	6 Mar., '77	A. P.
Cyrus M. Perry,	West Concord.	28 Mar., '65	7 May, '78	A. P.
William E. Spear,	*Rockland, Me.*	16 Oct., '73	9 Nov., '75	Law.
Clarendon A. Stone,	Hopkinton.	2 April, '73	5 Sept., '76	P.
Edward P. Stone,	Center Harbor.	14 Oct., '61	6 Jan., '74	P.
Caleb B. Tracy,	Potter Place.	10 Mar., '30	18 May, '69	W. C.
Lyman White,	Deerfield.	23 Oct., '49	7 May, '72	A. P.
Isaac Willey,	Pembroke.	18 Jan., '26	17 Jan., '71	W. C.

* Also, member Union Association. † Sec'y N. H. H. M. S.

VII. MONADNOCK ASSOCIATION.

Organized 5 August, 1793. ELIJAH HARMON, Scribe.

Annual meeting, second Tuesday of May; other meetings, second Tuesdays of August, October and December, unless otherwise ordered.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't*
Fred Lyman Allen,	Walpole.	26 Sept., '77	11 Dec., '77	P.
John F. Bassett,	Temple.	27 Mar., '70	11 July, '76	A. P.
Justin E. Burbank,		13 April, '58	9 May, '71	(?)
George F. Chapin,	Alstead.	15 April, '66	17 Mar., '74	A. P.
Henry H. Colburn,	Stoddard.	19 May, '69	10 Aug., '69	A. P.
John Colby,	Fitzwilliam.	31 Oct., '55	8 Feb., '76	A. P.
Samuel S. Drake,	Sullivan.	15 Oct., '34	11 Aug., '74	W. C.
David W. Goodale,	Troy.	1 Oct., '78	21 Jan., '79	P.
Mark Gould,	*Ashburnham, Mass.*	8 Oct., '51	11 May, '75	W. C.
Elijah Harmon,	Winchester.	17 Oct., '67	12 May, '68	P.
Silvanus Hayward,	Gilsum.	9 Oct., '61	8 Feb., '76	A. P.
Joseph A. Leach,	Keene.	23 Feb., '04	13 Oct., '68	P.
John L. Merrill,	Marlborough.	31 Oct., '60	9 Aug., '70	P.
Cyrus Richardson,	Keene.	30 Sept., '69	14 Oct., '73	P.
Gilbert B. Richardson,	East Alstead.	30 June, '57	11 Aug., '74	A. P.
Thomas E. Roberts,	Keene.	28 Mar., '61	28 Oct., '62	W. C.
Thomas S. Robie,	*Carver, Mass.*	25 Oct., '59	8 Feb., '76	A. P.
Henry H. Saunderson,	Swanzey.	20 April, '48	11 Dec., '77	A. P.
Henry W. L. Thurston,	Sullivan.	25 Aug., '75	11 Dec., '77	A. P.
Charles C. Watson,	*Wareham, Mass.*	2 July, '67	12 May, '74	A. P.
Horace Wood,	Gilsum.	10 July, '39	13 Aug., '67	W. C.

VIII. ORANGE ASSOCIATION.

Organized 7 October, 1801. L. H. ELLIOT, Bradford, Vt., Scribe.

Meets first Tuesday in February, May and September.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't.*
James Aiken,	Haverhill.	30 Aug., '43	2 May, '76	W. C.
John Q. Bittinger,	Haverhill.	25 Oct., '60	2 May, '76	P.
Edward P. Butler,	Lyme.	20 Oct., '74	5 May, '74	P.
Francis B. Knowlton,	Orford.	29 Aug., '65	13 Sept., '71	A. P.
Augustus L. Marden,	Piermont.	30 May, '61	9 Oct., '60	P.
Theodore C. Pratt,	Orfordville.	21 June, '59	25 Sept., '77	A. P.
Erdix Tenney, D.D.,	*Westboro', Mass.*	5 Jan., '31	3 May, '31	W. C.

IX. PISCATAQUA ASSOCIATION.

Organized 24 October, 1781. ISAAC C. WHITE, Scribe.

Meets third Tuesday in January, April, July and October.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't.*
John O. Barrows,	*Constantinople, Turkey.*	9 June, '64	17 Jan., '65	Miss.
Joseph Bartlett,	*Gorham, Me.*	7 Oct., '47	19 July, '70	W. C.
Ernest F. Borchers,	Barrington.	14 Jan., '69	15 Jan., '78	A. P.
Samuel Bowker,	Salem.	10 Dec., '45	17 Jan., '71	A. P.
Swift Byington,	Exeter.	17 Nov., '52	16 Jan., '72	P.
Frederic D. Chandler,	Kensington.	11 April, '69	19 Jan., '75	P.
Jacob Chapman,	Kingston.	23 June, '45	16 April, '72	W. C.
Alexander C. Childs,	South Newmarket.	18 May, '53	16 Oct., '77	A. P.
George W. Christie,	Salmon Falls.	11 Dec., '73	20 Jan., '74	A. P.
Sumner Clark,	Wolfeborough.	1 Jan., '45	17 April, '77	W. C.
Leander S. Coan,	Alton.	18 June, '63	18 April, '76	W. C.
Franklin Davis,	Tamworth.	6 Oct., '47	18 April, '65	A. P.
Thomas V. Haines,	North Hampton.	1 Feb., '61	20 Oct., '63	P.
Frank Haley,	Seabrook.	7 Oct., '63	18 Oct., '70	A. P.
Ezra Haskell,	Dover.	22 Aug., '60	16 Jan., '66	W. C.
William C. Jackson,	Brentwood.	13 Oct., '35	16 April, '72	A. P.
George O. Jenness,	Wakefield.	8 Feb., '61	21 Jan., '79	A. P.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't.*
John W. Lees,	Lee.	16 Nov., '70	18 April, '71	P.
John N. Lowell,	Milton.	22 Nov., '77	21 Jan., '79	P.
Israel T. Otis,	Exeter.	10 June, '35	20 July, '47	W. C.
John Parsons,	Exeter.	14 May, '57	16 April, '67	W. C.
William A. Patten,	Kingston.	18 July, '50	July, '56	W. C.
Albert B. Peabody,	Stratham.	24 May, '60	17 July, '67	P.
Abram J. Quick,	Rochester.	7 Mar., '64	19 Oct., '75	A. P.
William A. Rand,	South Seabrook.	9 July, '75	20 July, '75	P.
Edward Robie,	Greenland.	25 Feb., '52	21 July, '52	P.
Geo. B. Spalding, D.D.,	Dover.	5 Oct., '61	18 Jan., '70	P.
Josiah H. Stearns,	Epping.	6 Nov., '44	Oct., '67	A. P.
George E. Street,	Exeter.	6 April, '64	19 April, '71	P.
Henry L. Talbot,	Durham.	1 Jan., '73	17 July, '77	P.
George W. Thompson,	Stratham.	29 April, '40	July, '40	W. C.
Stephen W. Webb,	Great Falls.	19 April, '70	20 Jan., '74	P.
Isaac C. White,	Newmarket.	23 Oct., '50	16 Jan., '66	A. P.

X. SULLIVAN ASSOCIATION.

Organized 24 May, 1829. CHARLES M. PALMER, Scribe.

Meets second Tuesday of February, May, July and November.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't.*
Ephraim E. P. Abbott,	Newport.	6 May, '68	6 May, '68	P.
Lewis A. Austin,	Meriden.	26 June, '62	13 May, '74	T.
Edward W. Clark,	*Westboro', Mass.*	1 Jan., '50	2 May, '65	W. C.
Charles A. Downs,	Lebanon.	1 May, '49	7 May, '50	*
James T. Jackson,	Cornish.	17 Dec., '74	10 Nov., '74	P.
George W. Kinne,	Bath.	29 April, '74	10 Nov., '74	W. C.
John LeBosquet,	*Southville, Mass.*	21 Sept., '36	1 May, '73	A. P.
Abel Manning,	Goffstown.	7 Nov., '20	5 Nov., '39	W. C.
Charles M. Palmer,	Meriden.	8 Dec., '68	Sept., '71	P.
Levi Rodgers,	Claremont.	19 Oct., '71	Nov., '72	P.

*Sup't Public Instruction, State of N. H.

XI. SUNCOOK ASSOCIATION.

Organized before 1809, as Deerfield Association. WM. O. CARR, Scribe.

No meetings the past year.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't.*
Jeremiah Blake, M.D.,	Gilmanton I.W.	1 Nov., '38	5 July, '59	Phys.
William O. Carr,	Barnstead.	13 Feb., '61	29 Oct., '60	A. P.

XII. UNION ASSOCIATION.

Organized 18 December, 1812. GEORGE DUSTAN, Scribe.

Meets second Tuesday in May, August and October.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't.*
Harry Brickett,	Hillsboro' Bridge.	28 Jan., '58	14 May, '62	A. P.
Warren R. Cochrane,	Antrim.	18 Mar., '69	10 May, '70	P.
George Dustan,	Peterboro'.	19 Oct., '59	8 May, '60	P.
Morris Holman,	Antrim.	15 Jan., '45	8 Aug., '65	W. C.
James Holmes,	Bennington.	22 June, '42	9 May, '71	A. P.
Daniel McClenning,*	East Concord.	29 April, '52		W. C.
Sam'l H. Partridge, M.D.	Greenfield.	10 May, '53	10 May, '53	A.P.†

*Also, member Merrimack Association. † Also, Physician.

XIII. WHITE RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Organized 14 October, 1845. S. I. BRIANT, Hartford, Vt., Scribe.
Meets second Tuesday in January, April, July and October.

Names of Members.	*Residences.*	*Ordained.*	*Joined Asso.*	*Emp't.*
Samuel C. Bartlett, D.D.,	Hanover.	2 Aug., '43	8 Jan., '78	*
John M. Dutton,	Lebanon.	20 June, '76	20 Mar., '77	P.
Henry G. Jesup,	Hanover.	26 April, '54	9 July, '78	†
Samuel P. Leeds, D.D.,	Hanover.	18 June, '51	17 Sept., '61	P.
Daniel J. Noyes, D.D.,	Hanover.	3 May, '37	10 Dec., '50	†
Wm. A. Packard, PH.D.,	*Princeton, N. J.*	Not ord.	11 Sept., '60	‡
Henry E. Parker, D.D.,	Hanover.	13 Mar., '49	13 Nov., '66	†
Alonzo B. Rich, D.D.,	West Lebanon.	18 Feb., '46	2 Jan., '72	P.
Heman Rood, D.D.,	Hanover.	12 July, '26	14 June, '53	W. C.
Edwin D. Sanborn, LL.D.,	Hanover.	Not ord.	11 June, '50	†

* President Dartmouth College.
† Prof. Dartmouth College.
‡ Prof. College N. J.

CONFERENCES.

I. CHESHIRE CONFERENCE.

Organized, Keene, Oct. 4, 1829.

NEXT MEETING, Troy, June 9 and 10, 1880.

OFFICERS, 1879–'80.—Rev. H. W. L. Thurston, *Clerk and Narrator;* George Kingsbury, Esq., Keene, *Treasurer.*

CHURCHES.

Alstead Center, 1st,	Jaffrey,	Sullivan,
" East, 2d,	" East,	" East,
" 3d,	Keene, 1st,	Surry,
Chesterfield,	" 2d,	Swanzey,
Dublin,	Marlboro',	Troy,
Fitzwilliam,	Nelson,	Walpole,
Gilsum,	Rindge,	Westmoreland,
Harrisville,	Roxbury,	Winchester.
Hinsdale,	Stoddard,	TOTAL, 26.

REPORTS, JAN. 1, 1879.—2714 church members; 112 additions; 104 removals; 3477 in Sabbath Schools; $4857.61 contributions.

At meeting in 1879, discussed: "Best methods of sustaining the ordinances of the Gospel in our country towns;" "Is installation necessary for the best interests of religion?" Sermon by Rev. John Colby.

II. COOS [AND ESSEX, VT.] CONFERENCE.

Organized, Lancaster, Feb. 19, 1833.

NEXT MEETING, Littleton, June 1, 2, and 3, 1880.

OFFICERS, 1879–'80.—Rev. Levi G. Chase, Guildhall, Vt., *Clerk and Narrator;* Nelson Farr, Esq., Littleton, *Treasurer.*

CHURCHES.

[Berlin],	Dalton,	Littleton,
Bethlehem,	Franconia,	[Shelburne],
[Chatham & Stow, Me.]	[Gorham],	Stewartstown, West.
Colebrook,	Lancaster,	TOTAL, 7.

NOTE.—Berlin, Gorham and Shelburne are connected with Oxford, Me., and Chatham with Union, Me., Conferences, and their reports are not reckoned in the aggregates below.

REPORTS, JAN. 1, 1879.—595 church members; 37 additions; 35 removals; 709 in Sabbath Schools; $550.04 contributions.

At meeting in 1879, discussed: "What, to-day, is the greatest internal danger to the Christian church, setting aside all doctrinal dangers?" "How can young men be induced to attend public worship, and especially the Sunday School?" "The duty of Christians towards having the Sabbath observed in the towns where they live;" "Individual responsibility of church members." Sermon by Rev. C. H. H. Pannell.

III. GRAFTON CONFERENCE.

Organized Orford, June 2, 1828.

NEXT MEETING, Campton, June 8 and 9, 1880.

OFFICERS, 1879-'80.—Rev. Q. Blakely, *Narrator;* William T. Smith, M. D., Hanover, *Clerk and Treasurer.*

CHURCHES.

Bath,	Hanover Center,	Monroe,
Bristol,	Haverhill,	Orfordville,
Campton,	Hebron,	Orford, West,
Canaan,	Lebanon,	Piermont,
Enfield,	" West,	Plymouth,
Groton,	Lisbon,	Wentworth.
Hanover (Dart. Col.),	Lyme,	TOTAL, 20.

NOTE.—Danbury has united with Merrimack, and Lisbon joined this, Conference.

REPORTS, JAN. 1, 1879.—2081 church members; 173 additions; 79 removals; 1796 in Sabbath Schools; $4140.88 contributions.

At meeting in 1879, discussed: "Christian responsibility in the promotion of Christ's work;" "Type of religion needed in the age in which we live." Essays by Revs. A. L. Marden and George H. Scott; sermon by Rev. T. C. Pratt.

IV. HILLSBORO' CONFERENCE.

Organized, Amherst, June 12, 1827.

NEXT MEETING, Milford, June 8 and 9, 1880.

OFFICERS, 1879-'80.—Rev. Harry Brickett, *Narrator;* Dea. F. B. Eaton, Manchester, *Clerk and Treasurer.*

CHURCHES.

Amherst,	Hillsboro' Center,	Milford,
Antrim,	" Bridge,	Mont Vernon,
Bedford,	Hollis,	Nashua, 1st,
Bennington,	Hudson,	" Pilgrim Ch.,
Brookline,	Litchfield,	New Boston,
Deering,	Lyndeboro,	New Ipswich,
Francestown,	Manchester, 1st,	Pelham,
Goffstown,	" Franklin st.,	Peterboro',
Greenfield,	Mason,	Temple,
Greenville,	Merrimack,	Weare, South,
Hancock,	" South,	Wilton.

TOTAL, 33.

NOTE.—Olive and Pearl Street churches, in Nashua, have united under the name of Pilgrim Church.

REPORTS, JAN. 1, 1879.—5876 church members; 394 additions; 188 removals; 6662 in Sabbath Schools; $9959.86 contributions.

At meeting in 1879, discussed: "Adult classes in the Sabbath School;" "What are the relative claims of the church on its members?" Sermons by Revs. A. Berry and G. Dustan.

V. MERRIMACK CONFERENCE.

Organized, Salisbury, June 27, 1827.

NEXT MEETING, Pittsfield, June 8 and 9, 1880.

OFFICERS, 1879–'80.—Rev. John W. Colwell, *Clerk, Narrator and Treasurer.*

CHURCHES.

Andover,	Danbury,	Loudon,
Boscawen,	Dunbarton,	Pembroke,
Bradford,	Epsom,	Pittsfield,
Canterbury,	Fisherville,	Salisbury,
Chichester,	Franklin,	Tilton and Northfield,
Concord, First,	Henniker,	Warner,
" West,	Hill,	Webster,
" South,	Hooksett,	Wilmot.
" East,	Hopkinton,	TOTAL, 26.

NOTE.—Danbury joined this, from Grafton, Conference.

REPORTS, JAN. 1, 1879.—2965 church members; 110 additions; 91 removals; 3560 in Sabbath Schools; $18,736.64 contributions.

At meeting in 1879, discussed: "The relation of benevolence to the spirituality of the churches;" "The Ideal Church." Sermons by Revs. F. D. Ayer and F. T. Perkins.

VI. ROCKINGHAM CONFERENCE.

Organized, Chester, June 20, 1837.

NEXT MEETING, Epping, June 8 and 9, 1880.

OFFICERS, 1879–'80.—Rev. A. B. Peabody, *Clerk, Narrator and Treas.*

CHURCHES.

Atkinson,	Greenland,	Nottingham,
Auburn,	Hampstead,	Plaistow,
Brentwood,	Hampton,	Portsmouth,
Candia,	Kensington,	Raymond,
Chester,	Kingston,	Rye,
Deerfield,	Londonderry,	Salem,
Derry, First,	Newcastle,	Seabrook & Hmp. Falls,
" First Cong.,	Newington,	" South,
Epping,	Newmarket,	South Newmarket,
Exeter, First,	North Hampton,	Stratham.
" Second,	Northwood,	Windham.
		TOTAL, 33.

REPORTS, JAN. 1, 1879.—3662 church members; 145 additions; 109 removals; 3913 in Sabbath Schools; $10,833.50 contributions.

At meeting in 1879, discussed: "Can the present system of international Sabbath School Lessons be improved?" "Duty of Christians toward missionary and other benevolent organizations," etc.; "The Mission of the Church,—the specific work of the ministry,—the specific work of the laity,—what part may women take in this work? what should the church do with members proved dishonest?" Sermons by Revs. T. V. Haines and C. T. Melvin.

VII. STRAFFORD CONFERENCE.

Organized, Meredith Bridge (now Laconia), June 24, 1828.

NEXT MEETING, Durham, June 15 and 16, 1880.

OFFICERS, 1879–'82.—Rev. S. G. Norcross, *Clerk, Narrator and Treas.*

CHURCHES.

Alton,	Gilmanton, East,	Rollinsford, Sal. Falls,
Barnstead, North,	" Center,	Sanbornton,
" Parade,	" I. Works,	Sandwich,
Barrington,	Laconia,	" North,
Center Harbor,	Lee,	Somersw'th, Gt. Falls,
Conway, North,	Meredith Village,	Tamworth,
Dover, First,	Milton,	Wakefield,
" Belknap,	" Mills,	Wolfeboro',
Durham,	Moultonborough,	" North.
Effingham,	Ossipee Center,	
Farmington,	Rochester,	TOTAL. 31.

REPORTS, JAN. 1, 1879.—2469 church members; 109 additions; 92 removals; 2666 in Sabbath Schools; $2788.87 contributions.

At meeting in 1879, essays and discussions as follows: "The Sabbath or Lord's Day;" "Relation of pastors and churches to revivalists;" "The Blue Ribbon, or the Gospel temperance reform;" "Bible revision;" "Catachetical instruction;" "The modern Sunday School;" "How can we know the will of God?" Sermons by Revs. A. J. Quick and E. P. Eastman.

VIII. SULLIVAN CONFERENCE.

Organized, Newport, Nov. 11, 1826.

NEXT MEETING, Acworth, June 1 and 2.

OFFICERS, 1879–'80.—Rev. Levi Rodgers, *Clerk, Narrator and Treas.*

CHURCHES.

Acworth,	Croydon,	Newport,
Charlestown,	Goshen,	Plainfield,
Claremont,	Langdon,	" Meriden,
Cornish,	Lempster,	Washington.
		TOTAL, 12.

REPORTS, JAN. 1, 1879.—1040 church members; 42 additions; 38 removals; 964 in Sabbath Schools; $1448.33 contributions.

At meeting in 1879, there were essays and discussions, as follows: "The Word and the closet the necessary accompaniments of the religious life;" "The need of seasons of special religious interest, and the best methods of securing from them lasting results;" "The church's responsibility for its members." Sermons by Revs. George H. Dunlap and A. H. Johnson.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1879.			Church Members, Jan. 1, 1879.				Admissions in 1878.			Removals in 1878.				Baptisms in 1878.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Acworth,	1773	Albion H. Johnson,	Oct. 31, 1865	*A.p.*Nov.24,1878	47	90	137	43	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	2
Alstead Center, 1st,	1778	Gilbert B. Richardson,	June 30, 1857	*A.p.*Apr. 8, 1874	17	33	50	6	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
" East, 2d,	1788	Gilbert B. Richardson,	June 30, 1857	*A.p.*Apr. 8, 1874	29	47	76	21	0	2	2	1	5	0	6	0	0
" 3d,	1842	George F. Chapin,	Apr. 15, 1866	*A.p.*Apr. 1, 1873	7	28	35	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alton,	1827				12	27	39	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Amherst,	1741	Josiah G. Davis, D.D.,	May 22, 1844	May 22, 1844	44	139	183	21	0	3	3	3	0	0	3	0	0
Andover,	1782	Howard Moody,	Nov. 22, 1843	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1869	10	21	31	6	1	2	3	1	0	0	1	1	2
Antrim, *Pres.*,	1788	Warren R. Cochrane,	Mar. 18, 1869	Mar. 18, 1869	86	170	256	29	5	0	5	0	2	0	2	5	2
Atkinson,	1772	Charles T. Melvin,	Oct. 18, 1859	*A.p.*Dec. 5, 1875	24	57	81	22	0	0	0	3	4	0	7	0	0
Auburn,	1734	Charles E. Houghton,	May 24, 1876	*A.p.*May 20, 1875	15	35	50	13	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
Barnstead,	1804	*Unite with F. Baptists,*			13	43	56	29									
" Parade,	1867	William O. Carr,	Feb. 13, 1861	*A.p.*July 9, 1867	13	21	34	5	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	1	0
Barrington,	1755	Ernest F. Borchers,	Jan. 14, 1869	*A.p.*Sept. 23, 1877	16	32	48	7	1	3	4	1	3	0	4	1	0
Bath,	1844	Daniel Phillips,	Feb. 21, 1861	*A.p.*June 1, 1878	21	77	98	28	5	1	6	1	0	0	1	0	0
Bedford, *Pres.*,	1749				68	130	198	34	1	3	4	7	1	0	8	0	2
Bennington,	1839	James Holmes,	June 22, 1842	*A.p.*Nov. 6, 1869	14	35	49	8	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0
Berlin,	1877	Arthur J. Benedict,	May 25, 1875	*A.p.*Mar. 1, 1875	4	21	25	2	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	2
Bethlehem,	1802	Cary H. H. Pannell,	Dec. 2, 1873	*A.p.*Oct. 28, 1877	15	30	45	3	12	3	15	0	1	0	1	4	0
Boscawen,	1740	Ferd. V. D. Garretson,	Oct. 23, 1871	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1878	45	79	124	54	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0
Bradford,	1803				8	13	21	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Brentwood,	1747	William C. Jackson,	Oct. 13, 1835	*A.p.*July 10, 1870	9	35	44	8	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Bristol,	1826	Edwin L. Jaggar,	Mar. 6, 1862	*A.p.*May 12, 1878	41	92	133	35	5	4	9	2	1	0	3	5	0
Brookline,	1795	Frank D. Sargent,	Oct. 20, 1869	Oct. 20, 1869	29	64	93	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Campton,	1774	Quincy Blakely,	Feb. 16, 1859	June 29, 1864	27	61	88	15	0	2	2	4	2	0	6	0	0
Canaan,	1800				1	6	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Candia,	1771	William C. Reed,	Feb. 10, 1870	*A.p.*Nov. 1, 1878	93	138	231	34	2	1	3	3	3	0	6	1	0
Canterbury,	1760	James Doldt,	Sept. 21, 1843	*A.p.*Feb. 1, 1870	29	49	78	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	2	0	0
Center Harbor,	1838	Edward P. Stone,	Oct. 14, 1861	*A.p.*May 1, 1877	21	33	54	15	0	1	1	4	1	0	5	0	0
Charlestown,	1835	George H. Dunlap,	Aug. 23, 1877	Aug. 23, 1877	11	36	47	15	5	2	7	1	1	0	2	1	0
Chath'm(&StowMe)	1861	Isaac H. Libbey,	May 17, 1878	May 17, 1878	15	24	39	12	0	2	2	1	2	0	3	0	1
Chester,	1731	Charles Tenney,	Feb. 7, 1844	Aug. 2, 1871	62	148	210	19	6	1	7	4	1	0	5	5	0
Chesterfield,	1771				2	5	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Chichester,	1791	John F. Aiken,	Oct. 2, 1873	*A.p.*May 10, 1878	34	46	80	21	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	2	1
Claremont,	1770	Levi Rodgers,	Oct. 19, 1871	Oct. 19, 1871	77	171	248	29	13	10	23	5	4	0	9	7	3
Colebrook,	1802	Nathaniel S. Moore,	Nov. 11, 1868	*A.p.*Nov. 1, 1878	27	55	82	17	2	0	2	2	4	0	6	2	0

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		Total.	Average.	College and Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.		
Acworth,	55	75	48	.....	$17.00	.....	$37.00	.....	.....	$54.00	$674.42	Hiram N. Hayward.
Alstead Center, 1st,	32	60	40	.....	17.00	$3.24	18.28	.....	$3.00	41.52	260.00	Dea. Whitney Breed.
" East. 2d,	44	70	55	.....	8.00	.....	38.00	.....	4.00	50.00	318.00	Rev. G. B. Richardson.
" 3d,	45	99	49	.....	35.00	10.00	32.00	.....	2.10	79.10	500.00	Rev. G. F. Chapin.
Alton,	45	65	45	.....	7.75	.....	6.75	.....	.....	14.50		Rev. L. S. Coan.
Amherst,	130	181	106	$15.04	99.51	109.52	206.86	$5.00	289.37	725.30	1291.30	Rev. J. G. Davis, D.D.
Andover,	20	50	40	.....	34.08	.....	.....	.....	5.67	39.75	450.00	Rev. H. Moody.
Antrim, *Pres.*,	160	215	140	.....	10.00	140.00	120.00	.....	109.02	379.02	1110.00	Dea. Imla Wright.
Atkinson,	50	102	64	.....	15.93	30.62	54.23	.....	40.00	140.78	1050.00	Rev. Jesse Page.
Auburn,	42	100	60	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00	400.00	Dea. C. C. Grant.
Barnstead, North,				.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
" Parade,	37	94	60	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00	8.00	700.00	Theophilus Dow.
Barrington,	50	70	50	.....	.....	.....	6.00	.....	.....	6.00	600.00	Samuel Ham.
Bath,	85	90	70	.....	13.56	80.00	41.94	.....	6.10	141.60	880.00	Horace B. Deming.
Bedford, *Pres.*,	127	355	190	.....	57.18	.....	55.94	.....	43.09	156.21	1300.00	Dea. John Hodgman.
Bennington,	60	103	55	.....	46.44	46.01	27.71	.....	53.34	173.50	560.00	Rev. J. Holmes.
Berlin,	50	100	70	.....	3.00	.....	8.75	.....	.....	11.75	400.00	Rev. A. J. Benedict.
Bethlehem,	64	79	70	.....	20.00	.....	.....	.....	50.00	70.00	1200.00	William Simpson.
Boscawen,	70	100	65	.....	16.00	.....	31.00	.....	.....	47.00	500.00	C. E. Chadwick.
Bradford,		0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	150.00	Elisha H. Eaton.
Brentwood,	33	40	25	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	525.00	Dea. Thos. S. Robinson.*
Bristol,	90	100	60	10.25	58.27	13.00	61.67	.....	24.80	167.99	2270.00	Dea. N. B. Buttrick.
Brookline,	84	125	80	.....	13.97	15.96	27.05	.....	5.41	62.39	1000.00	F. A. Peterson.
Campton,	60	125	78	7.56	104.83	17.35	97.95	.....	53.09	280.88	800.00	Erastus Dole.
Canaan,	5	0	0	.....	7.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.00	0.00	Mrs. Sarah Harris.
Candia,	102	260	150	.....	50.02	17.37	42.50	.....	20.24	130.13	1412.00	Dea. Edmund Hill.
Canterbury,	83	156	72	.....	5.00	13.75	15.00	.....	36.00	69.75	500.50	Dea. Samuel Hill.
Center Harbor,	41	55	38	.....	37.63	.....	23.50	.....	32.75	93.88	825.00	Rev. Alnon Benson.
Charlestown,	65	100	55	.....	4.00	.....	4.50	.....	.....	8.50	856.00	Rev. G. H. Dunlap.
Chath'm (& Stow Me)	30	40	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	5.00	450.00	Dea. Joshua Fifeld.†
Chester,	100	217	125	.....	60.00	10.00	132.00	5.57	35.00	242.57	1000.00	Rev. C. Tenney.
Chesterfield,		0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	Rev. J. Hall.
Chichester,	35	100	54	.....	.....	.....	13.29	.....	5.00	18.29	500.00	Jeremy L. Sanborn.
Claremont,	154	200	134	10.00	277.17	34.38	209.00	19.65	67.53	617.73	1800.00	Geo. P. Rossiter.
Colebrook,	85	75	60	.....	.....	15.48	.....	.....	.....	15.48	400.00	Dea. Hosea Aldrich.

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Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Concord, 1st,	1730	Franklin D. Ayer,	May 1, 1861	Sept.12, 1867	99	210	309	18	3	8	11	5	3	0	8	3	1
" West,	1833	Cyrus M. Perry,	Mar.28, 1865	*A.p.*Aug. 1, 1879	65	114	179	53	3	0	3	4	0	0	4	3	0
" South,	1837	Chas. E. Harrington,	Oct. 27, 1874	Apr. 18, 1878	135	293	428	30	4	17	21	4	4	1	9	1	1
" East,	1842	[W. Gleason Shoppe,	*Licentiate.*	*A.p.*D'c.29,1878]	14	34	48	6	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0
Conway, North,	1778	S. Girard Norcross,	Oct. 11, 1859	*A.p.*June15, 1873	28	63	91	27	14	1	15	1	0	0	1	13	3
Cornish,	1781	James T. Jackson,	Dec. 17, 1874	Dec.17, 1874	41	67	108	14	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Croydon,	1778				5	8	13	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Dalton,	1816	James P. Stone,	Oct. 16, 1839	*A.p.*July 1, 1878	11	33	44	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Danbury,	1809	Samuel F. Lougee,	Oct. 2, 1873	*A.p.*Apr. 1, 1877	29	43	72	10	8	6	14	0	5	0	5	5	4
Deerfield,	1766?	Lyman White,	Oct. 23, 1849	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1875	35	79	114	25	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0
Deering,	1789	Charles H. Taintor,	May 29, 1879	*A.p.*June30, 1878	5	14	19	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
Derry, 1st,	1719				46	110	156	47	0	0	0	5	1	0	6		
" 1st Cong.,	1837				31	93	124	21	3	1	4	2	3	0	5	2	3
Dover, 1st,	1638	Geo. B. Spalding, D.D.,	Oct. 5, 1861	Sept. 1, 1869	95	253	348	48	7	5	12	9	2	1	12	5	1
" Belknap,	1856	James DeBuchananne	May 25, 1877	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1877	20	59	79	11	5	8	13	1	1	0	2	5	1
Dublin, Trin. Cong.,	1827	[Richard M. Burr,	*Licentiate.*	*A.p.*Aug.1,1877]	5	9	14	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dunbarton,	1789	William E. Spear, / James Wells,	Oct. 16, 1873 / Apr. 1, 1849	Oct. 16, 1873 / *A.p.*Apr.19, 1877	45	76	121	8	4	0	4	2	0	0	2	2	0
Durham,	1718	Henry L. Talbot,	Jan. 1, 1873	Jan. 1, 1873	19	68	87	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Effingham,	1798				2	6	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enfield,	1826	Francis Parker,	Dec. 5, 1878	Dec. 5, 1878	8	25	33	8	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Epping,	1747	Josiah H. Stearns,	Nov. 6, 1844	*A.p.*June16, 1857	31	59	90	11	0	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	0
Epsom,	1761	Elliot C. Cogswell,	Nov. 3, 1842	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1876	10	30	40	5	1	1	2	3	0	0	3	1	1
Exeter, 1st,	1639	Swift Byington,	Nov.17, 1852	June 2, 1871	44	131	175	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	1	0
" 2d,	1744	George E. Street,	Apr. 6, 1864	Mar.30, 1871	52	125	177	47	4	8	12	3	3	0	6	1	1
Farmington,	1819	Walter E. Darling,	May 20, 1862	*A.p.*Dec. 2, 1877	22	48	70	11	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	1
Fisherville,	1850	Ferd. V. D. Garretson,	Oct. 23, 1871	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1877	36	91	127	19	9	2	11	0	4	0	4	9	1
Fitzwilliam,	1771	John Colby,	Oct. 31, 1855	*A.p.*May 4, 1873	46	106	152	18	1	3	4	2	0	0	2	1	4
Francestown,	1773				68	157	225	67	1	1	2	6	0	0	6	0	4
Franconia,	1814				8	12	20	0	1	1	2	0	2	0	2	0	0
Franklin,	1822	Austin H. Burr,	Nov. 3, 1875	Nov. 3, 1875	33	74	107	28	4	1	5	1	3	0	4	3	1
Gilmanton, East,	1774				4	4	8	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
" Center,	1826	Stephen S. N. Greeley	Jan. 31, 1839	*A.p.*Mar. 1, 1879	28	66	94	17	1	0	1	3	6	0	9	1	1
" Iron Works,	1830	[Cassander C. Sampson	*Licentiate.*	*A.p.*Sept.1,1878]	20	40	60	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Gilsum,	1772	Silvanus Hayward,	Oct. 9, 1861	*A.p.*Sept. 1, 1875	15	40	55	10	2	0	2	1	1	0	12	1	0
Goffstown,	1771	Samuel L. Gerould,	Oct. 2, 1861	Feb. 4, 1869	52	140	192	10	0	2	2	4	8	0	2	0	6

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Concord, 1st,	235	304	160	.....	$3798.13	$1546.08	$4845.75	$20.00	$888.50	11,098.46*	$2200.00	Rev. F. D. Ayer.
" West,	75	175	75	$13.00	64.96	20.30	16.10	.....	23.00	137.36	1283.50	
" South,	245	650	340	.....	153.27	84.76	156.27	70.64	593.66	1058.60	3500.00	Seth R. Dole.
" East,			89	.....	8.50	.....	15.00	.....	.....	23.50		George H. Curtice.
Conway, North,	210	135	65	.....	10.00	5.00	30.00	.....	20.00	65.00	1150.00	Wm. C. Eastman.
Cornish,	53	85	54	.....	50.00	10.65	12.40	.....	38.05	111.10	822.25	Albert E. Wellman.‡
Croydon,		0	0	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	1.00	0.00	John Cooper.
Dalton,	60	60	50	.....	.....	.....	20.00	.....	.....	20.00	700.00	Bert A. Taylor.
Danbury,	63	160	90	.....	19.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.00	650.00	Hiram Jackson.
Deerfield,	90	110	75	.....	822.50	500.00	500.00	.....	829.30	2651.80†	1000.00	Dea. J. H. Batchelder.
Deering,	17	35	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.50	3.50	200.00	Dea. E. W. Barnes.
Derry, 1st,		100	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00		Joseph Montgomery.§
" 1st Cong.,	80	130	110	.....	67.00	.....	140.00	.....	11.50	218.50	1200.00	Dea. Geo. W. Barker.
Dover, 1st,	200	355	280	.....	230.62	.....	191.00	.....	475.00	896.62	3981.22	Dea. E. J. Lane.
" Belknap,	80	70	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	1200.00	Dea. Wm. H. Hanson.
Dublin, *Trin. Cong.*,	8	15	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	650.00	Augustine Wood.
Dunbarton,	78	150	100	.....	.....	40.00	65.00	.....	20.00	125.00	750.00	Fred L. Ireland.
Durham,	60	80	60	.....	5.00	.....	62.35	.....	.....	67.35	900.00	Dea. W. S. Meserve.
Effingham,	8	0	0	.....	3.12	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.12	0.00	Mrs. E. M. Dearborn.
Enfield,	80	30	25	.....	16.00	.....	10.00	5.00	.....	31.00	840.00	Mary F. Gould.
Epping,	75	150	93	.....	63.20	.....	50.00	.....	43.79	156.99	900.00	Rev. J. H. Stearns.
Epsom,	25	40	35	.....	.....	2.50	.....	.....	.....	2.50		Benjamin Towle.
Exeter, 1st,	122	148	92	.....	42.00	27.00	52.00	.....	198.00	319.00	2200.00	Wm. P. Moulton.
" 2d,	76	100	90	.....	277.67	442.16	232.39	.....	168.00	1120.22	1750.00	Rev. G. E. Street.
Farmington,		150	100	.....	22.38	14.92	29.84	.....	7.46	74.60	1200.00	Dr. Dan'l W. Edgerly.
Fisherville,	70	175	115	.....	37.90	2.00	35.50	.....	36.51	111.91	800.00	Dea. David Putnam.
Fitzwilliam,	114	175	86	.....	67.62	40.50	56.65	.....	48.23	213.00	1099.00	Dea. Timothy Blodgett.
Francestown,	150	150	100	.....	42.00	15.00	55.00	.....	25.00	137.00		Dea. Levi B. Bradford.
Franconia,	50	75	50	.....	2.50	2.00	2.50	.....	.....	7.00	600 00	Dea. I. B. Stevens.
Franklin,	85	162	66	.....	36.44	35.00	50.00	.....	20.00	141.44	1410.00	George C. Cox.
Gilmanton, East,	10	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	William N. Swain.
" Center,	46	84	60	.....	8.63	8.50	21.00	.....	.....	38.13	637.00	Dea. Henry N. Nelson.
" Iron Works,	45	50	40	.....	20.00	5.00	16.50	.....	.....	41.50	850.00	Rev. Jere. Blake, M.D.
Gilsum,	87	140	75	2.00	48.81	39.60	26.75	3.00	56.12	176.28	981.00	Rev. S. Haywood.
Goffstown,	198	284	106	.....	74.47	27.76	68.25	13.21	107.61	291.30	1067.00	Dea. Alvin Hadley.

*Of which $10.000 was in legacies to the Home, Foreign, Freedmen's and Bible Cause. †Of which $2,000 was a legacy to Home, Foreign and Freedmen's Cause. ‡P. O. address, Cornish Flat. §P. O. Address, Derry Depot.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1879.			Church Members, Jan. 1, 1879.				Admissions in 1878.			Removals in 1878.				Bapti'ms in 1878.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Gorham,	1862	Arthur J. Benedict,	May 25, 1875	*A.p.*June 1, 1876	9	42	51	5	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	2	1
Goshen,	1802				6	16	22	2	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0
Greenfield,	1792	Sam'l H.Partridge,M.D	May 10, 1853	*A.p.*May16, 1869	44	75	119	8	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	1
Greenland,	1706	Edward Robie,	Feb. 25, 1852	Feb.25, 1852	10	49	59	10	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Greenville,	1847	George F. Merriam,	Mar. 9, 1865	Mar. 9, 1865	29	71	100	22	0	8	8	2	2	0	4	0	1
Groton,	1803				6	6	12	4	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Hampstead,	1752	Albert Watson,	June 27, 1871	Mar.23, 1876	33	93	126	13	8	0	8	3	3	0	6	8	1
Hampton,	1638	William H. Cutler,	Dec. 20, 1865	*A.p.*Oct. 13, 1878	64	122	186	25	0	1	1	3	1	0	4	0	1
Hancock,	1788	[Hervey Gulick,	*Licentiate.*	*A.p.*Oct. 1, 1878]	42	83	125	16	21	3	24	1	3	0	4	20	0
Hanover, Dart.Col.,	1805	Samuel P. Leeds, D.D.	June 18,1851	July 10, 1861	84	134	218	64	3	4	7	2	5	0	7	1	1
" Center,	1810	George Smith,	Aug. 9, 1853	*A.p.*Apr. 1, 1877	36	63	99	24	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Harrisville,	1840				19	46	65	12	1	0	1	2	7	0	9	1	0
Haverhill,	1764	John Q. Bittinger,	Oct. 25, 1860	July 2, 1874	46	110	156	45	0	2	2	2	4	0	6	0	1
Hebron,	1779	*Unite with Methodists.*			4	13	17	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Henniker,	1769	John H. Hoffman,	Aug.21, 1877	June 7, 1878	44	114	158	21	0	0	0	4	4	0	8	0	0
Hill,	1815				5	8	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hillsboro' Center,	1769				12	30	42	4	4	2	6	0	0	0	0	2	1
" Bridge,	1839	Harry Brickett,	Jan. 28, 1858	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1876	18	47	65	13	1	1	2	1	1	0	2	0	0
Hinsdale,	1763	Henry H. Hamilton,	Sept.11, 1872	May 27, 1878	44	101	145		1	6	7	2	1	0	3	0	0
Hollis,	1743	Darius B. Scott,	July 14, 1872	*A.p.*Dec. 1, 1878	82	149	231	23	0	2	2	5	2	0	7	0	0
Hooksett,	1828	[Silas G. Kellogg.	*Methodist.*	*A.p.*May1, 1877]	8	16	24	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Hopkinton,	1757	Clarendon A. Stone,	Apr. 2, 1873	Dec.29, 1874	75	155	230	38	8	2	10	2	2	0	4	8	0
Hudson,	1737	Franklin D. Austin,	June 23, 1853	*A.p.*May 11, 1879	13	28	41	1	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	0
Jaffrey,	1750	Wm. W. Livingston,	Apr. 27, 1860	*A.p.*June 9, 1878	32	69	101	24	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
" East,	1850	Wm. H. Dowden,	Nov. 5, 1863	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1875	34	70	104	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Keene, 1st,	1738	Cyrus Richardson,	Sept.30, 1869	July 10, 1873	85	254	339	38	7	3	10	1	5	0	6	5	1
" 2d,	1867	Joseph A. Leach,	Feb. 23, 1864	Sept. 5, 1869	96	196	292	50	2	1	3	5	4	2	11	1	0
Kensington,	1737	Frederic D. Chandler,	Apr. 11, 1869	Mar. 9. 1876	13	41	54	7	2	1	3	0	1	0	1	1	0
Kingston,	1725				9	39	48	8	0	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	0
Laconia,	1824	Jeremiah E.Fullerton,	Sept. 8, 1870	Oct. 17, 1877	38	100	138	27	10	4	14	3	2	0	5	8	3
Lancaster,	1794	Charles E. Sumner,	1872	*A.p.*May 1, 1878	53	99	152	31	4	1	5	1	17	0	18	2	7
Langdon,	1792	George F. Chapin,	Apr. 15, 1866	*A.p.*Apr. 1, 1873	9	23	32	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Lebanon,	1768	John M. Dutton,	June 20,1876	June 20,1876	56	123	179	30	20	11	31	3	2	0	5	14	2
" West,	1849	Alonzo B. Rich, D.D.,	Feb. 18, 1846	May 17, 1871	55	114	169	34	4	1	5	0	8	0	8	1	2
Lee,	1867	John W. Lees,	Nov. 16,1870	Nov.16, 1870	5	35	40	11	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0

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		Total.	Average.	College and Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.		
Gorham,	65	120	80	.....	.....	.....	$3.25	.....	$11.75	$15.00	$600.00	Rev. A. J. Benedict.
Goshen,				.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	70.00	Solon B. Willey.
Greenfield,	100	110	65	.....	$15.00	.....	40.00	.....	18.00	73.00	550.00	Edwin C. Richardson.
Greenland,	44	65	47	.....	58.95	$20.80	122.75	.....	53.65	256.15	900.00	Rev. Edward Robie.
Greenville,	71	120	67	.....	6.00	10.84	28.00	.....	56.81	101.65		Rev. G. F. Merriam.
Groton,		0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	Parker Blood.
Hampstead,	80	150	119	$10.00	50.00	90.85	100.38	$24.07	34.32	309.62	1200.00	W. H. Davis.
Hampton,	113	125	95	.....	51.31	10.85	96.23	.....	.....	158.39	3500.00	Dea. Joseph Dow.
Hancock,	90	200	105	.....	40.00	1.00	52.20	.....	.....	93.20	600.00	J. W. Goodhue.
Hanover, Dart. Col.,	120	125	100	.....	386.81	151.73	444.04	.....	318.00	1300.58	2600.00	Rev. S. P. Leeds, D.D.
" Center,	34	70	45	.....	13.71	9.00	8.00	.....	.....	30.71	526.00	Isaac Fellows.
Harrisville,	50	75	50	.....	15.00	2.00	.....	.....	12.00	29.00	675.00	C. C. P. Harris.
Haverhill,	90	130	75	.....	64.25	15 75	50.75	30.00	35.00	195.75	1000.00	P. W. Kimball.
Hebron,				.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00		Samuel Wells.
Henniker,	135	175	71	5.00	211.45	17.00	112.00	10.00	41.25	396.70	1000.00	Rev. J. H. Hoffman.
Hill,				.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	Dea. Joseph Prescott.
Hillsboro' Center,	35	60	45	.....	10.00	5.00	15.00	.....	.....	30.00		
" Bridge,	80	135	85	.....	22.00	.....	10.00	.....	13.00	45.00	1200.00	Dea. J. Dutton.
Hinsdale,		200	118	.....	9.33	26.04	8.00	.....	22.63	66.00	1100.00	N. E. Pratt.
Hollis,	177	240	125	.....	123.64	20.50	110.33	.....	31.00	285.47	1150.00	Edward L. Hodgman.
Hooksett,		75	40	.....	.....	3.87	.....	.....	.....	3.87		Frank C. Towle.
Hopkinton,	130	165	100	.....	39.92	.....	37.29	.....	18.20	95.41	1095.00	Dea. J. M. Harvey.
Hudson,	50	60	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	550.00	Rev. S. M. Blanchard.
Jaffrey,	40	138	60	.....	12.20	.....	28.00	.....	17.19	57.39	1000.00	Gurley A. Phelps, M.D.
" East,	52	100	90	.....	.....	20.00	.....	.....	25.00	45.00	1100.00	Albert Rand.
Keene, 1st.	257	375	204	26.46	354.91	218.09	259.47	21.83	122.70	1003.46	3064.12	S. A. Gerould, Jr.
" 2d,	160	310	200	92.00	511.89	336.55	199.90	.....	141.00	1281.34	1768.17	Rev. J. A. Leach.
Kensington,	40	80	50	.....	21.00	6.70	15.00	.....	.....	42.70	450.00	James Hobbs.
Kingston,	40	105	60	.....	40.00	10.00	45.00	.....	15.00	110.00	900 00	Miss Hettie C. Patten.
Laconia,	100	150	85	3.16	62.65	6.81	72.49	3.48	58.93	207.52	1450.00	Dea. F. W. Reeves.
Lancaster,	100	175	115	.....	58.43	.....	23.00	.....	25.90	107.33	1223 52	Charles B. Allen.
Langdon,	27	40	30	.....	8.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 75	237.00	Dea. Edmund Holden.
Lebanon,	150	130	97	14.10	97.26	57.65	158.83	.....	82.16	410.00	1800.00	Dea. G. S. Nott.
" West,	135	203	97	.....	64.04	32.46	101.05	.....	96.29	293.84	2000.00	Rev. A. B. Rich, D.D.
Lee,	55	230	170	.....	7.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	12.00	700.00	Rev. J. W. Lees.

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Lempster,	1781	[Albert E. Hall,	*Licentiate.*	*A.p.*June1,1879]	18	23	41	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lisbon,	1878	Daniel Phillips,	Feb. 21, 1861	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1879	2	18	20	0	7	13	20	0	0	0	0	2	0
Litchfield. *Pres.*,	1741	Charles Scott,	Dec. 27, 1854	*A.p.*May 1, 1879	2	10	12	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Littleton,	1803				52	129	181	22	2	3	5	2	3	0	5	2	0
Londonderry, *Pres.*,	1735				41	124	165	11	3	0	3	4	0	0	4	1	0
Loudon,	1789	*Unite with Methodists.*			8	32	40	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lyme,	1771	Edward P. Butler,	Oct. 20, 1874	Oct. 20, 1874	101	174	275	46	41	9	50	3	15	0	18	38	0
Lyndeborough,	1737	Theophilus P. Sawin,	Apr. 19, 1843	Nov.20, 1878	28	43	71	9	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0
Manchester, 1st,	1839	C. W. Wallace, D.D.,	Jan. 8, 1840	*P. Emeritus*,1840	163	393	556	52	82	25	107	13	7	9	29	51	8
" Franklin st.	1844	Edward G. Selden,	Dec. 16, 1873	Dec.16, 1873													
		William V. W. Davis,	Sept. 12,1877	Sept.12,1877	138	405	543	90	86	28	114	8	9	0	17	44	5
Marlborough,	1778	John L. Merrill,	Oct. 31, 1860	May 2, 1871	76	148	224	29	26	10	36	4	4	0	8	14	4
Mason,	1772	William R. Tisdale,	Apr. 25, 1847	*A.p.*June 1, 1877	29	57	86	23	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meredith Village,	1815	George I. Bard,	Oct. 17, 1860	Jan. 2, 1873	13	48	61	12	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	1
Merrimack, 1st,	1771				55	93	148	29	1	1	2	2	9	0	11	1	0
" South,	1829				1	11	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Milford,	1788	William A. Lamb,	Apr. 14, 1874	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1879	131	261	392	51	2	4	6	3	2	0	5	0	1
Milton,	1815	John N. Lowell,	Nov. 22, 1877	Nov.22, 1877	26	55	81	8	0	3	3	3	1	0	4	0	0
" Mills,	1871	*Unite with Baptists.*			16	30	46	11	5	4	9	1	0	0	1	3	0
Monroe,	1874	Nelson F. Cobleigh,	May 16, 1871	*A.p.*Sept.27,1877	13	24	37	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mont Vernon,	1780	William H. Woodwell,	June 12, 1873	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1876	51	79	130	5	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Moultonborough,	1777				3	4	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nashua, 1st,	1685	Frederick Alvord,	July 21, 1858	July 6, 1869	186	307	493	76	8	8	16	4	6	2	12	7	2
" Olive St.,	1835				92	239	331	106	13	8	21	9	0	0	9	11	7
" Pearl St.,	1846				96	164	260	22	8	2	10	1	7	0	8	1	2
Nelson,	1781	[Thomas W. Darling,	*Licentiate.*	*A.p.*June1,1878]	35	47	82	13	0	0	0	1	0	2	3	0	0
New Boston, *Pres.*,	1768	[Frank H. Allen,	*Licentiate.*	*A.p.*Dec.7,1878]	46	91	137	26	0	0	0	5	3	0	8	0	3
Newcastle,	1700				4	37	41	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newington,	1715	Elijah J. Roke,	June 6, 1867	*A.p.*July 1, 1878	5	23	28	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0
New Ipswich,	1760	Horace Parker,	May 31, 1861	*A.p.*Aug. 1, 1878	49	108	157	32	0	3	3	3	2	0	5	0	0
Newmarket,	1828	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	*A.p.*June 1, 1865	27	67	94	17	3	1	4	2	0	0	2	2	0
Newport,	1779	Ephraim E. P. Abbott,	May 6, 1868	Mar.24, 1875	79	174	253	26	3	1	4	4	2	1	7	0	2
North Hampton,	1739	Thomas V. Haines,	Feb. 1, 1861	Apr.27, 1870	80	130	210	29	0	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	4
Northwood,	1798	Ezra B. Pike,	Sep. 16, 1863	*A p.*Nov.11,1877	31	64	95	30	6	2	8	2	2	0	4	3	0
Nottingham,	1742																
Orfordville,	1786	Theodore C. Pratt,	June 21.1859	*A.p.*Apr. 1, 1877	34	60	94	10	10	1	11	0	2	0	2	10	0

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Lempster,	30			.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$0.00		Dea. And'w J. Mitchell.
Lisbon,	35	83	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00		Mrs S. F. Hoskins.
Litchfield, *Pres.*,	32	55	40	.....	.....	.....	$10.00	.....	.....	10.00	$1000 00	Moses Chase.*
Littleton,	100	160	85	.....	$56.45	$37.00	138.22	.....	$88.56	320.23	1300.00	John Farr.
Londonderry, *Pres.*,	75	175	95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68.00	68.00†	1400.00	John Dickey.‡
Loudon,	40	0	0	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	80.00	Hiram Ordway.
Lyme,	175	289	180	.....	200.00	31.94	107.50	.....	79.30	418.74		Dea. D. C. Churchill.
Lyndeborough,	90	80	58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.50	7.50		Dea. N. T. McIntire.
Manchester, 1st,	314	829	515	.....	512.87	197.00	664.75	.....	492.56	1867.18	4414.86	John D. Patterson.
" Franklin St.,	380	602	332	$49.95	1019.00	80.41	595.00	$30.00	.....	1774.36	4470.38	Dea. A. H. Daniels.
Marlborough,	100	206	114	.....	51.08	87.32	35.01	.....	10.09	183.50	1156.00	Rev. J. L. Merrill.
Mason,	65	60	40	2 00	35.50	24.26	53.80	.....	5.75	121 31	800.00	Dea. Henry B. Hosmer.
Meredith Village,	66	100	54	.....	36.00	7.55	17.00	.....	23.00	83.55	700 00	Vacancy.
Merrimack, 1st,*	95	200	140	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		1264.75	M. P. Nichols.§
" South,		20	15	.....	5.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	7.00		Stephen M. Sargent.
Milford,	150	367	218	.....	180.31	136.71	110.48	10.00	59.86	497.36	1700.00	D. Milton Heald.
Milton,	85	135	62	.....	11.50	.....	10.50	.....	17.44	39.44	1100.00	Robert Mathes.
" Mills,	43	75	50	.....	16.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	16.50	800.00	Surrill Flint.
Monroe,	36	25	18	.....	.....	1.50	1.50	.....	3.75	6.75	272.50	Mrs. Emeline H. Chase.
Mont Vernon,	82	170	120	.....	36.00	30.00	121.75	.....	60.00	247.75	950.00	Alonzo Travis.
Moultonborough,		0	0	.....	2.08	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.08	0.00	Dea. W. Henry Mason.
Nashua, 1st,	193	355	214	82.21	382.65	214.74	405.22	.....	120.29	1205.11	4060.48	William P Clark.
" Olive St.,	141	198	127	.....	40.72	18.08	187.30	.....	21.11	267.21		Dea. F. T. Kimball.
" Pearl St.,	200	210	165	.....	53.85	.....	96.40	.....	.....	150.25		Thad. B. Mason.
Nelson,	31	121	61	.....	9.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.00	265.75	Orrel P. Atwood.
New Boston, *Pres.*,	109	120	77	3.43	38.53	50.04	49.80	.....	45.00	186.80	663.85	Dea. Marshall Adams.
Newcastle,		90	60	.....	.....	.....	4.25	.....	.....	4.25	0.00	Leander Garland.
Newington,	60	50	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		500.00	C. M DeRochemont.
New Ipswich,	90	120	86	2.71	32 14	69.36	37.02	.....	17.38	158.61	1550.00	William D. Locke.
Newmarket,	75	200	125	.....	24.30	19.36	28.57	5.00	46.00	123.23	1400.00	Timothy M. Joy.
Newport,	120	275	112	25.00	160.00	50.00	170.00	10.00	55.00	470.00	1400.00	A. B. Chase.
North Hampton,	118	230	115	.....	139.90	23.25	128.36	.....	74.36	365.97	1060.00	Rev. T. V. Haines.
Northwood,	65	100	80	.....	60.21	11.32	20.00	.....	25.55	117.08	700.00	Samuel S. Moore.
Nottingham,				.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
Orfordville,	75	65	50	.....	19.73	12.00	6.00	.....	36.50	74.23	900.00	B. F. Niles.

*P. O. address, Box 905, Nashua. †Contributions to Presbyterian objects not included. ‡P. O. ad., Wilson's Crossing. §P. O. ad., Reed's Ferry.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1879.			Church Members, Jan. 1, 1879.				Admissions in 1878.			Removals in 1878.				Baptisms in 1878.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Orford, West,	1822	Francis B. Knowlton,	Aug. 29, 1865	*A.p.* July 1, 1871	33	70	103	13	12	2	14	1	2	0	3	12	0
Ossipee Center,	1806	Edward P. Eastman,	Apr. 20, 1871	*A.p.* Jan. 1, 1876	26	62	88	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pelham,	1751	Augustus Berry,	Oct. 30, 1861	Oct. 30, 1861	22	61	83	9	5	3	8	0	2	0	2	4	0
Pembroke,	1737				31	81	112	12	3	0	3	2	0	0	2	0	0
Peterborough,	1822	George Dustan,	Oct. 19, 1859	Oct. 19, 1859	80	161	241	29	20	4	24	5	1	0	6	19	0
Piermont,	1771	Augustus L. Marden,	May 30, 1861	May 30, 1861	39	68	107	36	0	1	1	4	1	0	5	0	2
Pittsfield,	1789	John W. Colwell,	Sep. 22, 1875	*A.p.* May 1, 1879	46	87	133	33	0	0	0	3	5	0	8	0	0
Plainfield,	1804	Lewis A. Austin,	June 26, 1862	*A.p.* May 1, 1876	5	23	28	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Meriden,	1780	Charles M. Palmer,	Dec. 8, 1868	Mar. 27, 1873	40	57	97	22	4	2	6	1	6	0	7	3	0
Plaistow,	1730				43	78	121	12	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	5
Plymouth,	1764	George H. Scott,	Sept. 3, 1873	Sept. 3, 1873	47	159	206	39	7	8	15	3	4	0	7	1	0
Portsmouth,	1671				114	249	363	70	37	4	41	8	4	0	12	21	3
Raymond,	1791	George A. Perkins,	May 25, 1854	*A.p.* June 1, 1878	47	89	136	31	14	4	18	1	2	0	3	7	0
Rindge,	1765	Ezra J. Riggs,	July 10, 1879	July 10, 1879	70	128	198	17	7	7	14	7	10	0	17	5	2
Rochester,	1737	Abram J. Quick,	Mar. 7, 1864	*A.p.* Oct. 1, 1875	44	118	162	35	0	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	1
Rollinsford, S. Falls,	1846	George W. Christie,	Dec. 11, 1873	*A.p.* June 9, 1878	16	38	54	24	1	5	6	0	1	0	1	1	1
Roxbury,	1816				7	17	24	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Rye,	1726				2	71	94	7	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	6	0
Salem,	1740	Samuel Bowker,	Dec. 10, 1845	*A.p.* July 1, 1873	16	48	64	8	2	3	5	0	3	0	3	0	0
Salisbury,	1773				22	40	62	12	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Sanbornton,	1771	Moses T. Runnels,	Aug. 13, 1856	June 11, 1868	48	98	146	15	5	6	11	6	1	0	7	4	3
Sandwich,	1814				9	33	42	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" North,	1832				6	11	17	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Seabrook & H. Falls,	1799	Frank Haley,	Oct. 7, 1863	*A.p.* Dec. 1, 1875	28	41	69	9	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	2	2
" South,	1867	William A. Rand,	July 9, 1875	July 9, 1875	4	14	18	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Shelburne,	1818				0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somersw'th, G. Falls	1827	Stephen W. Webb.	Apr. 19, 1870	Oct. 15, 1873	59	169	228	55	1	2	3	2	5	0	7	1	0
South Newmarket,	1730	Alexander C. Childs,	May 18, 1853	*A.p.* Oct. 1, 1877	6	18	24	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Stewartstown, West,	1846	Henry P. Lamprey,	May 30, 1867	*A.p.* May 1, 1879	17	35	52	5	2	1	3	1	0	0	1	2	0
Stoddard,	1787	Henry H. Colburn,	May 19, 1869	*A.p.* Apr. 16, 1873	14	43	57	20	5	3	8	1	1	0	2	5	0
Stratham,	1718	Albert B. Peabody,	May 24, 1860	Nov. 25, 1869	19	43	62	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sullivan,	1792	Henry W. L. Thurston,	Aug. 25, 1875	*A.p.* May 1, 1879	27	43	70	17	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
" East,	1876	[Thomas W. Darling,	*Licentiate.*	*A.p.* June 1, 1878]	20	21	41	2	0	3	3	1	3	0	4	0	1
Surry,	1769				1	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Swanzey,	1741	Henry H. Saunderson,	Apr. 20, 1848	*A.p.* May 28, 1877	28	45	73	10	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	0	0

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. School. Total.	Sab. School. Average.	Amount contributed in 1878. College and Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.	Parish Expenses.	Clerks.
Orford, West,	93	84	57	.....	$30.65	$92.60	$170.59	.....	$113.73	$407.57	$1050.00	Dea. Isaac Willard.
Ossipee Center,	45	70	45	.....	40.50	.....	12.00	.....	.....	52.50	350.00	A. A. Moulton.
Pelham,	100	204	115	.....	185.56	35.75	62.85	.....	9.35		900.00	Rev. A. Berry.
Pembroke,	85	100	60	.....	45.00	32.39	84.00	.....	13.09	174.48	1000.00	Dea. Brainard Gile.
Peterborough,	114	260	151	.....	126.77	24.87	45.51	.....	185.00	382.15	1668.23	Dea. A. A. Farnsworth.
Piermont,	50	70	48	.....	10.00	26.00	16.00	.....	21.56	73.56	510.00	Rev. A. L. Marden.
Pittsfield,	125	180	110	.....	88.00	17.90	56.90	.....	85.00	246.90	1100.00	Henry W. Osgood.
Plainfield,	15	20	15	.....	5.00	30.00	25.00	.....	.....	60.00	110.00	Dea. W. O. Kenyon.
" Meriden,	60	129	67	.....	17.10	9.83	66.87	$8.25	12.20	114.25	750.00	Nathan Barrows, M.D.
Plaistow,	45	90	60	.....	120.00	135.00	300.00	.....	10.00	565.00	900.00	Gyles Merrill.
Plymouth,	150	125	100	$26.37	161.14	15.16	39.71	.....	4.00	246.68	1400.00	Dea. W. W. Russell.
Portsmouth,	200	300	220	100.00	500.00	75.00	250.00	.....	400.00	1325.00	3350.00	Dea. E. P. Kimball.
Raymond,	82	107	70	.....	12.29	20.60	56.00	.....	.....	88.89	850.00	Sherburne P. Blake.
Rindge,	170	298	139	5.45	100.98	10.91	27.59	5.45	98.19	248.57	1587.22	Dea. O. D. Converse.
Rochester,	110	150	101	10.00	52.00	25.00	73.50	.....	114.76	275.26	1400.00	Dea. Frank. McDuffee.
Rollinsford, S. Falls,	80	80	60	.....	.....	.....	40.00	.....	.....	40.00	1200.00	Dea. Jere. Knowlton.
Roxbury,	16	50	33	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	10.00	160.00	Dea. E. Kingsbury.
Rye,	60	60	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	800.00	J. T. Walker.
Salem,	52	72	50	.....	10.00	5.00	25.00	3.00	.....	43.00	800.00	Rev. S. Bowker.
Salisbury,	40	50	30	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	0.00	Dea. Thos. D. Little.
Sanbornton,	90	170	112	.....	48.30	.....	71.50	13.00	63.29	196.09	680.00	Rev. M. T. Runnels.
Sandwich,	34	75	40	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	16.00	31.00	600.00	William M. Weed.
" North,	20	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	Larkin W. French.
Seabrook & H. Falls,	65	65	42	.....	.....	.....	23.62	.....	20.00	43.62	800.00	W. H. Batchelder.*
" South,	100	100	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	500.00	Rev. W. A. Rand.
Shelburne,		0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00		Mrs. Maria F. Gates.
Somersw'th, G. Falls,		145	103	.....	71.08	.....	145.39	.....	.....	216.47	3000.00	George W. Janvrin.
South Newmarket,	30	40	30	4.58	10.00	3.90	13.00	.....	.....	31.48	750.00	Henry E. Perry.
Stewartstown, West,	32	85	63	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	650.00	Dea. William Ellis.†
Stoddard,	50	74	45	.....	.....	1.00	2.00	.....	2.00	5.00	425.24	Dea. Jonas P. Reed.
Stratham,	46	97	42	.....	36.91	24.39	40.50	7.60	13.55	122.95	550.00	Rev. A. B. Peabody.
Sullivan,	38	80	38	.....	10.00	10.00	14.00	.....	4.00	38.00	400.00	Dea. Atwell C. Ellis.‡
" East,		50	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	275.00	Oscar D. Beverstock.
Surry,		0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0.00	0.00	Mrs. N. H. Britton.
Swanzey,		121	56	.....	22.50	7.00	37.50	.....	34.44	101.44	625.00	Josiah Parsons.

*P. O. address, Hampton Falls. †P. O. address, Canaan, Vt. ‡P. O. address, East Sullivan.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1879.			Church Members, Jan. 1, 1879.				Admissions in 1878.			Removals in 1878.				Bapti'ms in 1878.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Tamworth,	1792	Franklin Davis,	Oct. 6, 1847	*A.p.*Nov. 1, 1876	21	51	72	13	1	2	3	3	0	0	3	1	0
Temple,	1771	John F. Bassett,	Mar. 27, 1870	*A.p.*Apr. 1, 1878	45	69	114	26	11	0	11	2	0	0	2	11	0
Tilton & Northfield,	1822	Frederic T. Perkins,	Jan. 11, 1843	*A.p.*Sept. 1, 1875	51	131	182	32	3	2	5	3	1	0	4	2	2
Troy,	1815	David W. Goodale,	Oct. 1, 1878	Oct. 1, 1878	42	75	117	18	3	3	6	1	1	0	2	2	0
Wakefield,	1785	George O. Jenness,	Feb. 8, 1861	*A.p.*June 1, 1875	7	36	43	9	2	1	3	3	0	0	3	2	0
Walpole,	1761	Fred. L. Allen,	Sep. 26, 1877	Sept. 26, 1877	22	76	98	13	8	1	9	2	5	2	9	8	0
Warner,	1772	George A. Beckwith,	May 26, 1862	*A.p.*July 14, 1878	27	73	100	12	0	2	2	2	5	0	7	0	0
Washington,	1780				2	12	14	1	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0
Weare, South,	1876	Charles H. Taintor,	May 29, 1879	May 29, 1879	15	26	41	2	2	3	5	0	2	0	2	2	0
Webster,	1804	Edward Buxton,	Apr. 10, 1836	Dec. 13, 1837	39	65	104	27	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Wentworth,	1830				7	23	30	8	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Westmoreland,	1764				40	77	117	21	1	1	2	3	0	0	3	0	0
Wilmot,	1829	John H. Larry,	Sep. 15, 1873	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1877	21	21	42	4	10	3	13	0	0	0	0	7	1
Wilton,	1763				42	89	131	19	2	1	3	6	0	0	6	2	0
Winchester,	1736	Elijah Harmon,	Oct. 17, 1867	Oct. 17, 1867	55	120	175	30	3	1	4	4	2	0	6	2	0
Win ham, *Pres.*,	1742	Charles Packard,	May 6, 1846	Apr. 29, 1873	48	105	153	51	7	3	10	8	0	0	8	6	6
Wolfeboro',	1834	Henry Ketchum,	Oct. 28, 1873	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1878	36	69	105	12	3	1	4	2	1	0	3	3	1
" North,	1839				8	21	29	3	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0

SUMMARY.

CHURCHES: With pastors, 59 (including Presb. 2); with acting pastors, 78 (Presb. 1); vacant, 56 (including 9 supplied by licentiates, and 3 Presb.) Total, 193 (Presb. 6).

MINISTERS: Pastors, 60 (Presb. 2); acting pastors, 71 (Presb. 1); others (members of Associations in other States, not counted), 65. Total, 197 (Presb. 4).

CHURCH MEMBERS: Males, 6727 (Presb. 286); females, 14,741 (Presb. 630). Total, 21,468 (Presb. 921); of whom 3557 (Presb. 153) were non-residents. Gain of 335 over last year.

ADMISSIONS IN 1878: By profession, 739 (Presb. 16); by letter, 383 (Presb. 6). Total, 1122 (Presb. 22).

REMOVALS IN 1878: By death, 371 (Presb. 26); by dismission, 345 (Presb. 6); by exclusion, or watch and care withdrawn, 22. Total, 738 (Presb. 32).

BAPTISMS IN 1878: Adult, 500 (Presb. 12); infant, 144 (Presb. 13).

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. School.		Amount contributed in 1878.							Parish Expenses.	Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	College and Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.		
Tamworth,	90	85	65	.....	$14.00	$6.00	$26.00	.....	$21.32	$67.32	$600.00	Dea. James J. Chesley.
Temple,	67	120	100	.....	2.09	44.00	7.00	.....	10.00	63.09		William P. Bacon.
Tilton & Northfield,	98	150	90	.....	2020.00	35.00	600.00	$15.00	2052.66	4722.66*	1190.00	Gardner S. Abbott.
Troy,	72	190	100	.....	160.55	160.03	180.08	.....	55.43	556.09	1031.28	Dea. Edwin Buttrick.
Wakefield,	43	135	75	.....	50.00	8.00	35.00	.....	.....	93.00	825.00	Sam'l W. Roberts, M.D.
Walpole,	80	140	90	.....	42.58	.....	72.22	.....	51.85	166.65	1200.00	E. K. Seabury.
Warner,	100	120	67	.....	15.16	13.86	11.00	.....	6.00	46.02	650.00	John Davis, 3d.
Washington,	25	40	30	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	0.00	Dea. Levi Harthon.
Weare, South,	50	95	75	$10.00	7.50	.....	.....	.....	9.00	26.50	600.00	Dea. Jason P. Dearborn.
Webster,	50	135	75	.....	36.50	16.00	30.00	.....	35.00	117.50	450.00	Rev. E. Buxton.
Wentworth,	28	80	42	.....	21.00	10.00	.....	.....	12.00	43.00	200.00	Dea. G. S. Dean.
Westmoreland,	85	160	83	8.05	31.00	31.13	70.23	.....	50.40	190.81	810.00	Dea. John Cowdery.
Wilmot,	55	100	80	.....	10.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.50	400.00	Otis Jones.†
Wilton,	100	224	111	.....	31.83	25.50	33.15	.....	33.48	124.96	1100.00	Levi Putnam.
Winchester,	100	230	115	39.50	117.33	15.75	64.17	10.15	29.56	276.46	1100.00	Rev. E. Harmon.
Windham, *Pres.*,	95	155	95	.....	1015.86	500.00	33.73	.....	1537.59	3087.18‡	1075.00	Dea. Rei Hills.§
Wolfeboro',	80	128	103	.....	47.69	20.25	35.00	.....	35.50	138.44	1000.00	Dea. Thomas Rust.
" North,	21	30	25	.....	9.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.00	280.00	Thomas L. Whitton.

*Of which $4,000 was in legacies. †P. O. address, Wilmot Flat. ‡Of which $3,000 was in legacies. §P. O. address, West Windham.

SUMMARY.

FAMILIES: 171 churches (Presb. 6) report 14,233 (Presb. 598).

SABBATH SCHOOLS: Total members, 24,047 (Presb. 1,075); average attendance, 14,956 (Presb. 637).

CONTRIBUTIONS: College and Education Society, $578.22: Home Missions, $17,883.25; American Missionary Association, $7,101.76; Foreign Missions, $16,128.17; Congregational Union, $353.90; all other causes, $12,270.47 (Presb. $1,802.70). Total, $54,315.77 (Presb. $1,802.70).

PARISH EXPENSES: 175 churches (6 Presb.) report $169,382.54 (Presb. $6,071.80).

CHANGES IN THE LIST OF CHURCHES.

From Sept. 1, 1878 to Sept. 1, 1879.

NEW CHURCH:

Coos Conference—Lisbon, organized Sept. 25, 1878.

Note—The Olive and Pearl Street churches in Nashua united June 1, 1879, under the name of the Pilgrim Church. As their report was made before the union, the separate organizations are retained until next year.

MINISTERIAL RECORD.

From Sept. 1, 1878 to Sept. 1, 1879.

LICENSES:

1878, Oct. 22, Charles H. Taintor, Derry Association.

PASTORS ORDAINED:

1878. Oct. 1, David W. Goodale, Troy.
Dec. 5, Francis Parker, Enfield.
1879. May 29, Charles H. Taintor, South Weare.
July 10, Ezra J. Riggs, Rindge,

ORDAINED WITHOUT INSTALLATION.

1879. Feb. 20, Fredrick H. Bartlett, at Bristol, as Home Missionary to Dacotah.
July 10, Charles F. Goldsmith, at Union, as missionary to a prospective church in that place.

PASTORS INSTALLED:

1878. Nov. 20, Theophilus P. Sawin, Lyndeborough.
1879. May 27, Henry H. Hamilton, Hinsdale.

PASTORS DISMISSED:

1878. April 23, Daniel Goodwin, Mason.
Oct. 28, Charles N. Flanders, Westmoreland.
Nov. 12, Charles L. Hubbard, Merrimack.
Dec. 24, Frank G. Clark, Rindge.
Dec. 31, Robert W. Haskins, Derry.
Dec. 31, Charles E. Milliken, Littleton.
1879. Mar. 25, Charles Wetherby, Nashua.
Apr. 23, John W. Colwell, West Concord.
June 3, Joseph Blake, D.D., Gilmanton Center.
July 2, Jacob Chapman, Kingston.
July 31, Ira C. Tyson, *Presb.*, Bedford.
Aug. 13, Luther B. Pert, *Presb.*, Londonderry.

MINISTERS DECEASED, *in the State:*

Rev. JOHN ADAMS, acting pastor at Hillsboro' Center. Born Salem, Mass., ———, 1812; died at Hillsboro' Center, May 19, 1879.

Rev. ABRAHAM BURNHAM, acting pastor at West Stewartstown. Born, Dunbarton, April 9, 1829; died at West Stewartstown, May 20, 1879.

MINISTERS DECEASED, *out of the State*, who had once labored in New Hampshire:

Rev. JOB CUSHMAN, died at Grinnell, Iowa, Aug. 5, 1878. Pastor at Springfield, 1825–8; acting pastor at Bristol, 1828–9; at Sullivan, 1829–31.

Rev. THOMAS JAMESON, died at Cambridgeport, Mass., April 14, 1879. Acting pastor at Effingham, 1820–25.

Rev. BEZALEEL SMITH, died at West Randolph, Vt., May 15, 1879. Pastor at Rye, 1829–41; Mont Vernon, 1841–50; acting pastor at Roxbury, 1850–2; pastor at East Alstead, 1852–61; acting pastor at East Hanover, 1861–70.

Rev. MOSES GILL GROSVENOR, died at Boston, July 24, 1879. Pastor at Acworth, 1829–32; at Marlboro', 1835–40.

ACTING PASTORS, *acceded:*

1878. Sept. 1, Cassander C. Sampson, Gilmanton Iron Works.

1878. Oct. 1, Ferdinand V. D. Garretson, Boscawen.
Oct. 1, Hervey Gulick, *Licentiate*, Hancock.
Oct. 13, William H. Cutler, Hampton.
Nov. 1, Abraham Burnham, West Stewartstown.
Nov. 1, Nathaniel S. Moore, Colebrook.
Nov. 1, William C. Reed, Candia.
Nov. 24, Albion H. Johnson, Acworth.
Dec. 1, Darius B. Scott, Hollis.
Dec. 7, Frank H. Allen, *Licentiate*, New Boston.
Dec. 29, W. Gleason Shoppe, *Licentiate*, East Concord.
1879. Jan. 1, William A. Lamb, Milford.
Jan. 1, Daniel Phillips, Lisbon.
Mar. 1, Stephen S. N. Greeley, Gilmanton Center.
May 1, John W. Colwell, Pittsfield.
May 1, Henry P. Lamprey, West Stewartstown.
May 1, Charles Scott, *Presb.*, Litchfield.
May 1, Henry W. L. Thurston, Sullivan.
May 11, Franklin D. Austin, Hudson.
June 1, Albert E. Hall, *Licentiate*, Lempster.
Aug. 1, Cyrus M. Perry, West Concord.

ACTING PASTORS, *retired:*

1878. Aug. 31, Albert H. Martin, *Christian Baptist*, Salisbury.
Aug. 31, Martin N. Root, M.D., *Licentiate*, Francestown.
Sept. 30, Abraham Burnham, East Concord.
Sept. 30, Anthony C. Hardy, *Methodist*, Boscawen.
Oct. 31, Brown H. Emerson, *Presb.*, Litchfield.
Nov. 30, John W. Haley, Hudson.
Nov. 30, Darius B. Scott, Milton Mills.
Dec. 21, Willis A. Hadley, Rye.
1879. Feb. 2, Stephen S. N. Greeley, Pittsfield.
Mar. 31, David Bremner, Plaistow.
April 30, John W. Colwell, West Concord.
April 30, Henry W. L. Thurston, Harrisville.
May 4, James W. Hubbell, Portsmouth.
May 31, Albert E. Hall, *Licentiate*, Sandwich.
June 30, Leander S. Coan, Alton.
July 31, Cyrus M. Perry, Pembroke.
Aug. 20, Jeremiah K. Aldrich, Nashua.

LIST OF TOWNS

WHERE THERE HAVE BEEN CONGREGATIONAL OR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES, WHICH ARE NO LONGER BORNE UPON THE ROLL, THE SAME BEING PRACTICALLY OR REALLY EXTINCT.

Those towns where churches now exist, though others within their limits may have become extinct, are not reported in this list.

	Organized.	*Became extinct, or last reported.*
Alexandria,	1788	1841
Bridgewater,	1818	1873
Danville,	1763	(?)
Dorchester,	1828	1877
East Kingston,	1739	1813 (?)
Gosport,	1839 (?)	1826
Lyman,	1814	1835
Marlow,	1823	1833
New Durham,	1773 (?)	1777
New Hampton,	1800	1839
Newton,	1759 (?)	1791
Orange,	1828	1832
Sandown,	1759	
Sharon,	1835	1838
South Hampton,	1743	1827
Springfield,	1820	1836
Stark,	1810	1831
Sunapee,	1819	1829
Thornton,	1780	1875
Tuftonborough,	1806 (?)	1871
Unity,	1819	1842
Whitefield,	1826	1847

MINISTERS,

CONGREGATIONAL OR PRESBYTERIAN, RESIDING IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE, OTHER THAN THOSE SUPPLYING CHURCHES, OR MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATIONS IN THIS STATE. POST OFFICE ADDRESS WILL BE FOUND IN ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS.

Name.	*Ordained.*
Alden, Lucius,	Sept. 29, 1825
Bartlett, Frederick H.,	Feb. 20, 1879
Batchelder, John S.,	Oct. 20, 1858
Blanchard, Silas M.,	Oct. 27, 1853
Cook, Silas P.,	June 24, 1869
Ela, Benjamin,	May 29, 1841
Emerson, Rufus,	Jan. 7, 1863
Hadley, Willis A.,	Aug. 21, 1878
Hall, Jeffries,	June 5, 1833
Jennison, Edwin,	Aug. 17, 1831
Lee, Samuel,	Nov. 4, 1830
Pulsifer, Daniel,	Jan. 20, 1835
Sawyer, Daniel,	May 13, 1846
Tilden, Lucius L.,	Mar. 17, 1830
Smith, Francis P.,	Sept. 12, 1838
Smith, John C.,	Sept. 29, 1841
Wells, Moses H.,	Nov. 19, 1845

LIST OF MISSIONARIES

OF THE A. B. C. F. M. WHOSE AMERICAN HOME IS IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

Names.	*N. H. Home.*	*Mission Field.*
Adams, Lucian H.,	Derry.	Aintab, Central Turkey.
Barrows, Rev. John O.,	Exeter.	Constantinople, Western Turkey.
Barrows, Mrs. Clara S.,	Exeter.	Constantinople, Western Turkey.
Carey, Mrs. Ellen E.,	Nashua.	Japan.
Clark, Mrs. Helen S.,	Claremont.	Prague, Austria.
Cole, Rev. Royal M.,	Stark.	Erzroom, Eastern Turkey.
Cole, Mrs. Lizzie C.,	Littleton.	Erzroom, Eastern Turkey.
Emerson, Mrs. Ursula S.,	Nelson.	Wailalua, Hawaiian Isles.
Hartwell, Mrs. Lucy E.,	New Ipswich.	Nantai, Foochow.
Herrick, Mrs. Hellen M.,	Meriden.	Constantinople, Western Turkey.
Johnson, Mrs. Lois S.,	Warner.	Waioli, Hawaiian Isles.
Locke, Rev. William E.,	New Ipswich.	Samokov, European Turkey.
Locke, Mrs. Zoe A. M.,	Westmoreland.	Samokov, European Turkey.
Marden, Rev. Henry,	New Boston.	Aintab, Central Turkey.
Marden, Mrs. Alice M.,	Francestown.	Aintab, Central Turkey.
Osgood, Dauphin W., M.D.,	Nelson.	Nantai, Foochow.
Pettee, Rev. James H.,	Manchester.	Kobe, Japan.
Price, Miss Martha E.,	Gilmanton.	Umzumbi, Zululand.
Whitney, Henry T., M.D.,	Milford.	Shoo-wu, Foochow.
Whitney, Mrs. Lurie A.,	Milford.	Shoo-wu, Foochow.

THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF THE SOCIETY.

ARTICLE 1. This society shall be styled the NEW-HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ART. 2. The object of this society shall be to assist churches and congregations that are unable to support the gospel ministry, and to send missionaries to destitute towns and places in New-Hampshire, and also to co-operate with and aid the American Home Missionary Society in the work of home missions throughout the United States.

ART. 3. There shall annually be chosen of the members of the Society resident in the State, a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and nine Trustees, one third of whom to be chosen triennially, at least one-third of whom shall be laymen, the seats of one-third of whom to be vacated each year and filled by a new election. All elections shall be made by ballot, and the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer shall be Trustees, *ex-officiis*.

ART. 4. It shall be the duty of the President, and, in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, and in the absence of the Vice-Presidents, the oldest man of the Trustees present, to preside at all meetings of the Society and the Trustees, five of whom shall constitute a quorum.

ART. 5. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society and of the Trustees; to keep a true record of the transactions of the Society and of the Trustees; to fill out commissions for missionaries and certificates of life members; to draw orders upon the Treasurer for all moneys appropriated by the Trustees, and to make an annual report to the Society of the proceedings of the Trustees, and of their Executive Committee.

ART. 6. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the Society; to lease and convey by deed any real estate belonging to the Society, when directed by the Trustees or their Executive Committee, and exhibit annually an audited account of the state of the treasury, and also to exhibit his books at other times, when requested by any member of the Society or contributor to its funds. He shall give bonds to such an amount as the Trustees or their Committee may require.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of the Trustees to hold annual and semi-annual meetings, and also special meetings when called by the Executive Committee; to make appropriations of money; to appoint missionaries—sound, pious, able and discreet men; to adopt such measures as they may judge important to promote the financial and general interests of the Society, and to make, through the Secretary, an annual report of their doings to the Society. Immediately after the annual meeting of the Soceity they shall appoint an Executive Committee ot their number, consisting of five, including the Secretary. This committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings; to fill its own vacancies from the Trustees, or vacancies in the board of officers which may occur between the annual meetings of the Society; to appoint missionaries, make appropriations, and to transact all other buisness which may be necessary during the intervals of the annual and semi-annual meetings of the Trustees.

ART. 8. The Society shall meet annually, on Thursday, the third day of the meeting of the General Association, at ten o'clock, A.M., or at such time and at such place as the Society may have appointed at the preceding annual meeting. The Society shall meet annually for business, at some day and hour previous to the time of public exercises, appointed and duly notified by the Executive Committee.

ART. 9. Any person may become a member of this Society by paying two dollars as an annual subscriber, or a life membe by paying thirty dollars. All ministers, whose churches contribute annually to the funds of the Society, and all delegates to the General Association for the current year, shall be members for the time being. All members resident in the State shall have the right to vote in the meetings of the Society.

ART. 10. Every minister of the gospel, statedly laboring in this State, and in regular standing with the Congregational or Presbyterian churches, shall be considered as an agent of this Society, to invite the attention of his hearers, at least once a year, to its objects, and to receive donations, subscriptions and contributions to its funds, and transmit them to its Treasurer, or its authorized agents.

ART. 11. All questions before the Society shall be determined by a majority of the members present, excepting amendments of the constitution, which shall require the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present, besides having been proposed a year beforehand for consideration, or recommended by the Trustees.

Churches.		Ministers, Sept. 1, 1879.			Church Members, Jan. 1, 1879.				Admissions in 1878.			Removals in 1878.				Bapti'ms in 1878.	
Place and Name.	Org.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Ma.	Fe.	Tot.	Ab.	Prf.	Let.	Tot.	Di.	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.
Tamworth,	1792	Franklin Davis,	Oct. 6, 1847	*A.p.*Nov. 1, 1876	21	51	72	13	1	2	3	3	0	0	3	1	0
Temple,	1771	John F. Bassett,	Mar. 27, 1870	*A.p.*Apr. 1, 1878	45	69	114	26	11	0	11	2	0	0	2	11	0
Tilton & Northfield,	1822	Frederic T. Perkins,	Jan. 11, 1843	*A.p.*Sept. 1. 1875	51	131	182	32	3	2	5	3	1	0	4	2	2
Troy,	1815	David W. Goodale,	Oct. 1, 1878	Oct. 1, 1878	42	75	117	18	3	3	6	1	1	0	2	2	0
Wakefield,	1785	George O. Jenness,	Feb. 8, 1861	*A.p.*June 1, 1875	7	36	43	9	2	1	3	3	0	0	3	2	0
Walpole,	1761	Fred. L. Allen,	Sep. 26, 1877	Sept. 26, 1877	22	76	98	13	8	1	9	2	5	2	9	8	0
Warner,	1772	George A. Beckwith,	May 26, 1862	*A.p.*July 14, 1878	27	73	100	12	0	2	2	2	5	0	7	0	0
Washington,	1780				2	12	14	1	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0
Weare, South,	1876	Charles H. Taintor,	May 29, 1879	May 29, 1879	15	26	41	2	2	3	5	0	2	0	2	2	0
Webster,	1804	Edward Buxton,	Apr. 10, 1836	Dec. 13, 1837	39	65	104	27	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Wentworth,	1830				7	23	30	8	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Westmoreland,	1764				40	77	117	21	1	1	2	3	0	0	3	0	0
Wilmot,	1829	John H. Larry,	Sep. 15, 1873	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1877	21	21	42	4	10	3	13	0	0	0	0	7	1
Wilton,	1763				42	89	131	19	2	1	3	6	0	0	6	2	0
Winchester,	1736	Elijah Harmon,	Oct. 17, 1867	Oct. 17, 1867	55	120	175	30	3	1	4	4	2	0	6	2	0
Win ham, *Pres.*,	1742	Charles Packard,	May 6, 1846	Apr. 29, 1873	48	105	153	51	7	3	10	8	0	0	8	6	6
Wolfeboro',	1834	Henry Ketchum,	Oct. 28, 1873	*A.p.*Jan. 1, 1878	36	69	105	12	3	1	4	2	1	0	3	3	1
" North,	1839				8	21	29	3	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0

SUMMARY.

CHURCHES: With pastors, 59 (including Presb. 2); with acting pastors, 78 (Presb. 1); vacant, 56 (including 9 supplied by licentiates, and 3 Presb.) Total, 193 (Presb. 6).

MINISTERS: Pastors, 60 (Presb. 2); acting pastors, 71 (Presb. 1); others (members of Associations in other States, not counted), 65. Total, 197 (Presb. 4).

CHURCH MEMBERS: Males, 6727 (Presb. 286); females, 14,741 (Presb. 630). Total, 21,468 (Presb. 921); of whom 3557 (Presb. 153) were non-residents. Gain of 335 over last year.

ADMISSIONS IN 1878: By profession, 739 (Presb. 16); by letter, 383 (Presb. 6). Total, 1122 (Presb. 22).

REMOVALS IN 1878: By death, 371 (Presb. 26); by dismission, 345 (Presb. 6); by exclusion, or watch and care withdrawn, 22. Total, 738 (Presb. 32).

BAPTISMS IN 1878: Adult, 500 (Presb. 12); infant, 144 (Presb. 13).

Churches.	Families in Parish.	Sab. School.		Amount contributed in 1878.							Parish Expenses.	Clerks.
		Total.	Average.	College and Ed. Society.	Home Missions.	American Miss. Ass.	Foreign Missions.	Cong. Union.	All Others.	Total.		
Tamworth,	90	85	65	.....	$14.00	$6 00	$25.00	....	$21 32	$67.32	$600.00	Dea. James J. Chesley.
Temple,	67	120	100	.....	2 09	44.00	7.00	.....	10.00	63.09		William P. Bacon.
Tilton & Northfield,	98	150	90	.....	2020.00	35.00	600 00	$15.00	2052.66	4722.66*	1190.00	Gardner S. Abbott.
Troy,	72	190	100	.....	160.55	160.03	180.08	.....	55.43	556.09	1031.28	Dea. Edwin Buttrick.
Wakefield,	43	135	75	.....	50.00	8.00	35.00	.....	.....	93.00	825.00	Sam'l W. Roberts, M.D.
Walpole,	80	140	90	.....	42.58	... .	72.22	.....	51.85	166.65	1200.00	E. K. Seabury.
Warner,	100	120	67	.....	15.16	13.86	11.00	.....	6.00	46.02	650.00	John Davis, 3d.
Washington,	25	40	30	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	0.00	Dea. Levi Harthon.
Weare, South,	50	95	75	$10.00	7.50	.....	.....	.....	9.00	26.50	600.00	Dea. Jason P. Dearborn.
Webster,	50	135	75	.....	36.50	16 00	30.00	.....	35 00	117.50	450.00	Rev. E. Buxton.
Wentworth,	28	80	42	.....	21.00	10.00	.....	.....	12.00	43.00	200.00	Dea. G. S. Dean.
Westmoreland,	85	160	83	8.05	31.00	31.13	70.23	.....	50.40	190.81	810.00	Dea. John Cowdery.
Wilmot,	55	100	80	.....	10.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.50	400.00	Otis Jones.†
Wilton,	100	224	111	.....	31.83	25.50	33.15	.....	33 48	124.96	1100.00	Levi Putnam.
Winchester,	100	230	115	39.50	117.33	15.75	64.17	10.15	29.56	276.46	1100 00	Rev. E. Harmon.
Windham, *Pres.*,	95	155	95	.....	1015 86	500.00	33.73	.....	1537.59	3087.18‡	1075.00	Dea. Rei Hills.§
Wolfeboro',	80	128	103	.....	47.69	20.25	35.00	.....	35.50	138.44	1000.00	Dea. Thomas Rust.
" North,	21	30	25	.....	9.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.00	280.00	Thomas L. Whitton.

*Of which $4,000 was in legacies. †P. O. address, Wilmot Flat. ‡Of which $3,000 was in legacies. §P. O. address, West Windham.

SUMMARY.

FAMILIES: 171 churches (Presb. 6) report 14,238 (Presb. 598).

SABBATH SCHOOLS: Total members, 24,047 (Presb. 1,075); average attendance, 14,956 (Presb. 637).

CONTRIBUTIONS: College and Education Society, $578.22; Home Missions, $17,883.25; American Missionary Association, $7,101.76; Foreign Missions, $16,128.17; Congregational Union, $353.90; all other causes, $12,270.47 (Presb. $1,802.70). Total, $54,315.77 (Presb. $1,802.70).

PARISH EXPENSES: 175 churches (6 Presb.) report $169,382.54 (Presb. $6,071.80).

RULES FOR MISSIONARY RETURNS.

Missionaries are to send reports quarterly, and to transmit their statistical returns to the Secretary, annually, by the fifth of August. Those only, who report quarterly, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who fail to render an annual report on or before the fifth of August, shall thereby forfeit the paronage of the society, unless sufficient excuse can be rendered.

In the annual report, definite answers to the following questions are required: namely,

1. Your full name?

2. Name of the church or churches, and of all stations regularly supplied by you?

3. Number of families usually represented in each congregation.

4. Average congregation in each?

5. Amount of your stipulated salary, and is it promptly paid?

6. Has the church a parsonage?—if so, is the rent included in the above, and to what amount?

7. What proportion of the salary is paid by members of the church? What from funds or sources outside of the parish?

8. Number of hopeful conversions during the year?

9. Number of resident members in each church—male, female; non-resident?

10. Number added to each church during the year—by profession; by letter?

11. Number removed from each church—by death; by dismission; by exclusion?

12. Whole number in Sabbath School?

13. Amount contributed to N. H. Home Missionary Society? To other benevolent objects?

14. Number of Sabbath Schools sustained and meetings held in neighborhoods remote from the church, with a statement of attendance and results?

15. General remarks, including such topics as, special encouragements and discouragements; peculiarities and special demands of the field; methods and results of labor, etc.

NOTICES.

All communications intended for the Trustees, all applications for aid, returns of missionaries, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the society, may be addressed to Rev. E. H. Greeley, Secretary, Concord, N. H.

☞*All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the society*, may be made to Hon. Lyman D. Stevens, Treasurer, Concord, N. H.

The Home Missionary, published monthly by the American Home Missionary Society, Bible House, Astor Place, New York, is sent gratuitously to *life members*, *missionaries*, and auxiliary associations of *either society;* to all pastors whose congregation contributes any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors, and to each donor of $10 annually, who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made to the Treasurer, who is agent for the distribution of *The Home Missionary* for New-Hampshire.

☞*All money contributed to the New-Hampshire Missionary Society, which is not imperativly needed for the work in the State is sent to the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society.*

Applications for aid should contain full and careful answers to all the questions proposed, *and should be renewed at the expiration of the time for which the missionary is commissioned, if his further services are desired.* All applications should be promptly made. The Trustees will not feel bound to make appropriations for services rendered before the application is made.

The payment of $30 into its treasury entitles the person named by the donor to become a life member of the New-Hampshire Home Missionary Society, or, if preferred, of the American Home Missionary Society, and, *in either case*, to receive the *Home Missionary*, by signifying a wish to receive it.

Orders on the Treasury to be drawn by the Secretary.

The semi-annual meeting of the Trustees is to be at Concord, Tuesday before the first Wednesday in June.

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I give to the New-Hampshire Home Missionary Society the sum of dollars, for the purpose of said Society, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Important legacies have been lost to the Society through inattention to its legal name.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The seventy-eighth Annual Meeting of the New-Hampshire Home Missionary Society was holden in the Congregational Church in Lebanon, on Wednesday, Sept. 17, 1879; the President, Rev. S. C. Bartlett, D.D., in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. E. Locke.

After an opening address by the President, the Secretary read the Annual Report of the Trustees which was accepted.

The Treasurer read his Annual Report with a statement additional of the invested funds of the Society. This Report was also accepted.

On the question raised in the Report of the Trustees as to the future policy of the Society, as modified by the avails of the Whitehouse legacy, addresses were made by Rev. Messrs. Street, Peabody, Abbott, Dustan, Rodgers, Davis, Rand, Hazen, and Hayward, and by Mr. Stevens, all favoring a vigorous prosecution of the work in the State, and an increased expenditure if needed.

On the recommendations of the Trustees of the Society, voted unanimously to amend Art. 9 of the Constitution so as to read as follows: viz.,

Any person may become a member of this Society by paying two dollars as an annual subscriber, or a life member by paying thirty dollars. All ministers whose churches contribute annually to the funds of the Society, and all delegates to the General Association for the current year, shall be members for the time being. All members resident in the state shall have the right to vote in the meetings of the Society.

A committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Haines, L. White, and Rodgers, appointed by the chair, reported the following as officers of the Society for the year ensuing. Their report was accepted, and the persons nominated were duly elected: viz.,

Rev. SAMUEL C. BARTLETT, D.D., Hanover, *President.*

Hon. J. E. SARGENT, Concord; JOHN BRACEWELL, Esq., Dover; Dea. E. P. KIMBALL, Portsmouth, *Vice-Presidents.*

Rev. E. H. GREELEY, Concord, *Secretary.*

Hon. L. D. STEVENS, Concord, *Treasurer.*

Hon. JOHN KIMBALL, Concord, and GEO. E. JENKS, Esq., Concord, *Auditors.*

Rev. GEO. B. SPALDING, D.D., Dover; Rev. CYRUS RICHARDSON, Keene, and Hon. R. L. FRENCH, Pittsfield, Trustees for three years.

Voted: That the same order be taken relative to the printing and circulation of the Annual Report as last year.

Adjourned to meet for the next Annual Meeting in connection with the meeting of the General Association at Portsmouth in September, 1880.

TRUSTEES.

The Trustees of the Society are the following: viz., the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, *ex-officiis.*

Elected in 1879.

Rev. GEO. B. SPALDING, D.D., Dover.
Hon. R. L. FRENCH, Pittsfield.
Rev. CYRUS RICHARDSON, Keene.

Elected in 1878.

Hon. DEXTER RICHARDS, Newport.
Rev. W. R. JEWETT, Concord.
Rev. GEO. H. SCOTT, Plymouth.

Elected in 1877.

Rev. F. D. AYER, Concord.
Rev. QUINCY BLAKELY, Campton.
Hon. C. R. MORRISON, Manchester.

The Executive Committee, for the ensuing year, are:

Rev. WILLIAM R. JEWETT, Concord.
Rev. F. D. AYER, Concord.
Rev. GEO. H. SCOTT, Plymouth.
Hon. L. D. STEVENS, Concord.
Rev. E. H. GREELEY, Concord.

THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT.

In the year under review the Society has aided in sustaining the preaching of the gospel in fifty churches, and in four additional stations where there is now no organized church. The number of missionaries employed was forty-nine. Twenty-nine of these labored throughout the year, and twenty for a shorter period. One, Rev. Abraham Burnham, a brother long honored and beloved among us, died at his post in West Stewartstown. The aggregate of mininisterial labor performed was thirty-seven years. The average cost, to the Society, of a year of ministerial labor was $168. The number of fields occupied was two more than in the previous year; the number of missionaries employed five more, and one year more of missionary labor was performed. There was a gain in permanency of labor, four more laboring throughout the year. Fifteen of these churches and stations are "yoked," three with churches out of the State. Two churches, heretofore self-supporting, asked and received aid.

These missionaries preached for churches having a membership in the aggregate, of 2,251—an average of forty-five each; sustaining Sunday Schools which have an aggregate of 3,230 scholars—an average of sixty-two each; and having, connected with them, congregations averaging in the aggregate 4,235—seventy-eight each. There was a falling off from the preceding year, on the average, of about three each in the numbers in the Sunday Schools and in the congregations. These churches and congregations contributed to the New-Hampshire Home Missionary Society, $288.69; and to other objects of benevolence, including the munificent donation of $10,000 to the American Missionary Association by Moses P. Page, of Gilmanton Iron Works, $10,602.15. Leaving out of view the donation of Mr. Page, there was a falling off of benevolent contributions, from the preceding year, of nearly 40 per cent.

The spiritual results of the labors of the year, as indicated by the number of hopeful conversions and of additions to the churches, were less cheering then we could wish. The number of hopeful

conversions reported was sixty-nine; the number of additions, by profession, fifty-two, and by letter fifty; while the removals by dismission were forty-five, by death thirty-five, and by exclusion fourteen—leaving a net gain of ten. The number of hopeful conversions or of additions to the churches is not, indeed, a sure, certainly not a complete, test or measure of the good accomplished. There is abroad, no doubt, a tendency to magnify this test out of all just proportion in comparison with others. There may be, and no doubt often is, a most real and needed revival of God's work, one that sets his cause far forward toward its final triumph, which no such test would reveal. But a visible encroachment upon the ranks of impenitency is a test, and an exceedingly important one, of good results from the preaching of the gospel; and where it is conspicuously wanting, it calls imperatively for a seaching inquiry into the reason of its absence.

There has been somewhat marked during the year, and not perhaps confined to our missionary churches, a sensitive, irritable, explosive, condition of public feeling, resulting in some cases in divisions and quarrels deplorable in the extreme. In the absence of the spirit of Christ, a jealous self-will and love of the preeminence, sanctified often in the eyes of those who indulge them, however it may be in the sight of Him who trieth the heart, by calling them conscientious scruples and firmness in standing by the right, have been allowed to become dominant, and the result is all Satan himself could wish—the church prostrate and bleeding, Christ dishonored and His cause made a scandal and reproach in the sight of a scoffing world; and souls for whose salvation He died, confirmed in the rejection of His gospel. It must needs be, perhaps, that such offences come, but woe unto that man through whom they come. He who should devise a way to heal permanently the spirit of strife and division in our churches, would do more for their ultimate prosperity than all that our Society can do for them.

THE TREASURY.

There were received into the treasury of the Society, during the year, in donations from churches and individuals, $4,420.26; from the New-Hampshire Cent Institution, $2,351.96; from legacies, $2,927.52; from income of permanent funds, 2,773.10; and

from miscellaneous sources, $58.02; making a total of $12,-530.86. Of this amount $840.16 of donations and $50 of legacies were sent, by direction of donors, to the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society,. There were, also, sent from the State directly to the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society, in donations from churches and individuals, $1,531.30; and from legacies, $3,282.28; making a total of $17,344.44 contributed to home missions by the State. The receipts into our treasury were, from donations, $26.99; from the Cent Society, $24.96; and from legacies, $736.69 greater than in the preceding year. Reckoning those sent directly to New York, the donations of the year were $636, and the legacies, $494.22 larger than those of the preceding year. The total amount expended in the State for all purposes was $8,-134.15. The sum of $2,000 was, by vote of the executive committee, transmitted from our treasury to that of the American Home Missionary Society, making the whole amount received into that treasury from the State, $7,703.74—$430.41 less than was expended within the State. A considerable additional sum will probably be soon sent from our treasury to New York. The balance on hand at the close of the year is $3,482.43.

The settlement of the litigation respecting the will of the late Mrs. Betsey Whitehouse, of Pembroke, which was still pending at our last annual meeting, has brought a large addition to the permanent funds of the Society, the full particulars of which appear in the Treasurer's report. In that settlement the Society did not get all, perhaps not more than three quarters, of the amount to which it was justly entitled, and which Mrs. Whitehouse intended it should have. But the alternative was a protracted litigation with its attendant cost, annoyance and risk, a litigation which such a society can carry on only at some decided disadvantages. The proposal was made to allow the will to be set up and carried out on condition that the Society should transfer its rights under it to the heirs at law for a certain sum. This proposition, it seemed to the Trustees, on the whole, and after mature deliberation, best to accept, and the money has been paid over and invested.

This legacy is, by the express provision of the will, "for the feeble churches of New-Hampshire," and its avails cannot,

without a breach of trust, be appropriated to any other use.

This pecuniary prosperity, so far beyond anything in the past history of the society, is certainly very gratifying, and should call forth devout and heart-felt thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who has so graciously watched over and cared for its interests. It is a great relief to feel that we are not likely, in the coming days, to lack the means for a vigorous prosecution of our work in the State, even if, as is certainly more than possible, the demands of that work should be largely increased. There is in the State much land yet to be possessed. fields lying fallow, which ought to be cultivated, which it will pay to cultivate, certainly if it should be found true that the State is entering upon a new career of prosperity which is to retain her young men at home more than in the past, and to make the abandoned homes among her hills once more resound with the voice of children. It is also a cause for special gratitude, to be brought into a position where we can do more than we have heretofore done for the great, ever growing, work upon the western frontier, a work whose demands were never so urgent as to-day, but which are to grow more urgent as the years go on, and the tide of population sets, with a current ever broadening and deepening, towards the Pacific. Rarely has a moment of more unalloyed and grateful satisfaction been granted us than when we sent our first $2,000 to the treasury at New York, for that work ; sent it with the feeling that there was more to follow, that henceforth every contributor to our funds can deposit his offering with the feeling that some portion of it will go, with his sympathies and his prayers, to aid in laying the foundations of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ, where perhaps his own brothers and sons have gone to plant the seeds of empire for the coming ages of the world's history.

The generous response of our churches to the appeal which came last winter through the national society from seven hundred faithful mentoiling upon the frontier, where the promised aid which was to feed their wives and little ones was failing them, showed how strong a hold this work has upon their sympathies, and assures that they will hail with gladness the opportunity to aid in carrying it on.

If it should be thought to be due in part to the pressure of

this appeal that there has been no falling off in contributions to this cause, such as large legacies have been wont in the past to occasion, the fact is no less cheering and hopeful on that account. It shows, at least, our churches to be susceptible to the demands which this work, ever enlarging, ever outstripping the utmost efforts to overtake it, absorbing all that can be done and yet ever calling for more, makes upon the heart and conscience of the American Church. It shows, at least, a waking consciousness of the grand truth that we are come upon a time when God is calling for the utmost that his people can do, living or dying; when the exigencies of his cause are calling for consecration to the utmost, of mind, body and estate.

It is especially gratifying, under the circumstances, to find no falling off in contributions of the Cent Society. It shows that the women of our churches, who constitute so largely, not only their numbers, but their strength, having stood by the society in days of struggle and darkness, have no thought now of abandoning it. They recognize the fact that the cause has still need of them, a need never greater than now, and yet to increase in the near future; need of their gifts, still greater need of that sacred power entrusted to them, the highest committed to mortal hands, that of training and inspiring those upon whose support it must depend in the future.

But while we rejoice in these tokens of material prosperity, and thank God for them, we are not to forget that we have not on this account already attained, neither are already perfect. Such prosperity is one of the elements requisite for a successful prosecution of our work, a very important one, but not the only one, nor by any means the most important. The hearty fraternal sympathy of the churches, the true love of the brethren, the spirit that impels to bear one an other's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ, is more important. Money in the treasury that should hinder the full, generous, hearty exercise of this feeling, binding all our churches in the bonds of a true unity in Christ, would be so far forth a curse and not a blessing. A ministry full of faith and of the Holy Ghost—able, wise, devoted, of true successors of the apostles, coming in the spirit and power of Paul and of John, is more, far more important. A rare, choice, peculiar gift, never more needed than now, for which the whole

church should pray without ceasing, is, that the Lord of the harvest would send out—thrust forth—laborers into his harvest. The awful, yet gracious and loving, presence of God among our churches, a presence that shall make itself felt, and felt to be on the side of truth, and purity, and righteousness, a presence which shall inspire faith, faith in God, revealed in Christ, as the world's infinitely pitying and loving Redeemer, and yet its righteous Judge, faith in life as a serious thing, with results of awful moment in the great unending future, a revival that shall be a revival, life out of dead forms and professions and faiths, and out of cold, heartless, despairing skepticisms, is more, infinitely more, important.

No, we have not already attained, we are not already perfect. The victory is not yet won, we have hardly come yet unto the thick of the fight. What we may confidently claim as a token the divine favor, a smile of God upon our work, has been granted. We hail it as a glad encouragement to go forward, an inspiration to new consecration, and new energy, an assurance that God is with us, and that we may confidently ask for still larger gifts and richer blessings. We are surely not going to forget that there are richer blessings in his hand to give, or how sore is our need of them. We are not going to forget that with all that money can do for us, we may still be, not rich and increased in goods, but poor and miserable, and in want of all things.

Questions of no little practical importance, and which it may not be found quite easy to solve wisely, arise here as to the bearing which these increased means should have upon the future policy of the society. Ought we to consider this legacy, coming in the way it has come, as an indication that we should materially enlarge our State work? Or should we look upon it as specially intended to set free a larger proportion of our ordinary contributions to help on the Western work? There is, no doubt, a large amount of additional work in the State which can be done, certainly if we can find the right men to do it, work which is important and which ought to be done unless the money and men which it would absorb are more needed elsewhere. Are they more needed elsewhere? Ought the claims of the frontier to supercede the claims of fields within the

State, which have hitherto been left uncultivated for want of means in the treasury, or for want of sufficient promise in the fields themselves, to justify the, perhaps, large outlay which it would require to cultivate them efficiently? Ought we to relax from the rigid economy which for some years we have felt compelled to practice? That economy has been carried quite as far as has been consistent with the best interests of our churches, or with justice to our missionaries; quite as far as has been consistent with an efficient prosecution of our work. No home missionaries have been more straitened in the means for a comfortable support than ours of New-Hampshire. In what direction, and in what respects, there should be a deliberate, settled, change, or whether the true policy to be pursued is an expectant one, a waiting and watching for such openings in the State as shall clearly indicate the path of duty, while we send all that can be spared to the frontier, is the question of the hour.

This question is one for our pastors and churches to decide. Those who administer the affairs of the society are simply the servants of the churches, and will, so far as in them lies, do their bidding in the matter.

By vote of the Trustees, application was made to the Legislature, at its last session, in June, to amend the charter of the society, by inserting the word "Home" in its title, and the application was granted. The original name had a historical significance which it would, on some accounts, have been pleasant to retain. The society was not at its formation designed to be in any restricted sense, a *home* missionary society. But, by the inevitable logic of events, it become one, and, in spite of all efforts to prevent, came to be popularly and almost universally so designated. In legacies the word "Home" was with few exceptions inserted. It was therefore thought best, in order to avoid considerable annoyance, and possibly some legal complications, to make the legal, correspond with the popular, name of the society. It will hereafter be known as THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

For the Trustees,

E. H. GREELEY, *Secretary.*

TABULAR VIEW OF FIELDS OCCUPIED.

CHURCHES AND STATIONS.	MISSIONARIES	Date of Commission.	Months of Commission.	Amount of Appropriation.	Months of Labor Performed.	No. of Hopeful Conversions.	Added. By Profession.	Added. By Letter.	Removals. By Dismission.	Removals. By Death.	Removals. By Exclusion.	Resident Members.	Non-Resident Members.	Total Membership.	Average Congregation.	No. in Sabbath School.	Contributions. N.H.Miss'y Society.	Contributions. Other Objects.
1. Alstead, 1st,	G. B. Richardson,	April 1, 1879	12	$150.00	12	0	0	0	0	2	0	33	8	41	60	40	$17.00	$29.52
2. Alstead, 2d,						2	1	0	5	3	0	53	22	75	75	60	10.00	40.00
3. Alstead, P.M.V.	Geo. F. Chapin,	April 1, 1879	12	150.00	12	0	1	1	0	0	1	33	3	36	77	100	12.25	46.00
4. Langdon,						0	0	0	1	0	0	24	7	31	50	50	0.00	0.00
5. Alton,	L. S. Coan,	Jan. 17, 1879	6	75.00	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	13	33	50	50	7.00	0.00
6. Andover, East,	Howard Moody,	Jan. 1, 1879	12	200.00	12	7	7	1	0	0	0	31	6	37	75	55	32.28	6.68
7. Andover Center,	J. N. Jones,	May 8, 1879	5	85.00	3	0	No	Chu	rch	....	....	....	....	....	80	60	0.00	0.00
8. Auburn,	C. E. Houghton,	May 20, 1879	12	200.00	12	0	1	2	0	0	0	33	17	50	65	50	0.00	17.00
9. Barnstead,	Wm. O. Carr,	Oct. 1, 1878	12	150.00	12	2	0	0	0	0	0	34	6	40	80	90	5.00	11.00
10. Barrington,	E. F. Borchers,	Sept. 15, 1878	12	150.00	12	0	0	1	0	0	2	39	4	43	100	90		6.20
11. Bethlehem,	C. H. H. Pannell,	Nov. 1, 1878	12	200.00	12	1	1	1	0	1	0	41	5	46	184	87	10.00	47.50
12. Brentwood,	W. C. Jackson,	April 1, 1879	12	150.00	12	3	1	0	0	2	0	36	8	44	65	45	2.00	2.00
13. Center Harbor,	E. P. Stone,	May 1, 1879	6	125.00	12	0	0	0	1	1	0	39	15	54	81	77		53.60
14. Charlestown,	Geo. H. Dunlap,	June 1, 1879	12	200.00	12	1	7	3	1	1	0	39	9	48	60	90	17.06	0.00
15. Chatham,*	J. H. Libby,	Mar. 17, 1879	12	100.00	12	13	5	2	2	1	0	44	12	56	85	40		10.00
16. Dalton,	James P. Stone,	July 1, 1878	12	150.00	12	3	0	3	2	1	0	39	6	45	80	70	12.50	15.00
17. Danbury,	S. F. Lougee,	April 1, 1879	12	175.00	12	0	5	6	1	1	0	62	10	74	95	157		
18. Enfield,						0	0	0	2	0	0	22	8	30	100	45	6.00	5.00
19. Enfield Center,	Francis Parker,	June 16, 1878	12	250.00	12	...	No	Chu	rch	....	....	....	....	....	100	.....	.....	.....
20. Enfield, East,						...	No	Chu	rch	....	....	....	....	....	50	.....	.....	.....
21. Epsom,	E. C. Coggswell,	June 1, 1878	12	100.00	12	0	1	2	0	2	0	40	0	40	75	60	0.00	0.00
22. Gilmanton I. Works	C. C. Sampson,	Sept. 1, 1878	12	100.00	12	0	1	0	4	0	9	42	25	57	75	65		10,011 50
23. Gorham,	A. J. Benedict,	June 1, 1879	12	225.00	12	5	1	1	0	1	0	38	8	46	100	80	10.00	5.98
24. Berlin,						...	1	0	0	0	0	23	2	25	100	80	0.00	0.00
25. Goshen,	F. J. Nute,	June 8, 1879	12	150.00	2½	0	0	2	0	0	0	22	3	25	100	45	0.00	0.00
26. Groton, North,	Joseph Blake, D.D.,	June 1, 1879	4	70.00	2½	1	1	2	0	2	0	10	2	12	42	25	0.00	0.00

27. Hanover Center,	George Smith,	Apr. 1,	1879	12	100.00	12	1	0	1	0	1	0	76	24	100	75	71	10.50	46.35
28. Harrisville,	H.W.L.Thurston,	May 1,	1878	12	150.00	8½	3	1	0	6	3	0	42	25	67	100	80	0.00	10.00
29. Hillsboro' Center,	H.W. Chapman, Robert F. True,	Oct. 1,	1878	6 4	50.00 50.00	6 3	3	3	0	0	0	0	35	0	35	85	60	0.00	15.00
30. Hudson,	J. W. Haley, A. A. Smith,	Jan. 11, Jan. 1,	1878 1879	12 12	200.00 200.00	3 6	0	2	2	3	0	0	39	3	42	50	40	0.00	8.00
31. Kensington,	F. D. Chandler,	Apr. 25,	1879	12	250.00	12	0	0	2	1	0	0	53	7	60	75	80	0.00	22.96
32. Lempster,	A. E. Hall,	May 1,	1879	12	250.00	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	36	6	42	75	40	5.00	0.00
33. Lyndeborough,	T. P. Sawin.	Aug. 1,	1878	12	200.00	12	0	0	0	0	3	0	70	....	70	90	80	6.28	16.13
34. Mason,	W. R. Tisdale,	Apr. 1,	1879	12	150.00	12	1	1	0	1	2	1	86	23	109	82	55	6.10	18.11
35. Milton Mills,	D. B. Scott,	Aug. 1,	1879	12	150.00	4	5	5	3	0	2	0	30	3	33	100	60		
36. Monroe,†	N. F. Cobleigh,	Aug. 15,	1878	12	75.00	12	1	0	1	0	0	0	38	10	45	74	51	2.00	3.00
37. Newington,	E. J. Roke,	July 1,	1878	6	100.00	12	0	0	0	2	0	0	26	1	27	75	30	16.00	0.00
38. Ossipee Center,	E. P. Eastman,	Jan. 1,	1879	12	200.00	12	6	0	0	0	1	1	59	11	70	95	75	10.00	0.00
39. Ossipee Corner,				..	.....	....	.....	No	Chu	rch	....	....	....	....	...	50	37		
40. Roxbury,	J. B. Richardson,	May 17,	1879	4	70.00	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	6	27	53	50	0.00	7.00
41. Salem,	Samuel Bowker,	Jan. 1,	1879	12	150.00	12	0	0	3	3	1	0	53	6	59	65	75	10.00	30.00
42. Salisbury,	G. W. Bothwell,	May 8,	1879	5	85.00	3	0	0	0	2	1	0	62	10	62	120	70	0.00	5.00
43. Sandwich,	A. E. Hall,	May 1,	1878	12	200.00	8¼	4	0	0	0	0	0	29	5	34	75	45	14.00	29.00
44. Seabrook&H.Falls,	Frank Haley,	May 1,	1879	12	100.00	3½	0	0	0	1	1	0	64	7	71	75	75	0.00	30.00
45. Seabrook, South,	W. A. Rand,	Aug. 1,	1878	12	300.00	12	3	0	0	0	0	0	....	....	18	100	100	0.00	0.00
46. Shelburne,‡	T. P. Williams,	June 15,	1879	12	125.00	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	....	4	4	75	.....	0.00	0.00
47. Stewartstown, W.,	A. Burnham, H. P. Lamprey,	Nov. 1, May 1,	1878 1879	12 12	250.00 250.00	5 3	0	0	4	0	0	0	50	0	50	60	80	0.00	0.00
48. Stoddard,	H. H. Colburn,	Apr. 5,	1879	12	200.00	12	0	0	0	1	1	0	34	15	49	97	75	0.00	0.00
49. Washington,	J. A. Rowell,	June 25,	1879	3	50.00	2½	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	2	16	75	40	2.50	4.50
50. Weare, South,	C. H. Taintor,	May 1,	1879	12	150.00	12	0	3	3	3	0	0	42	....	42	100	110	7.50	26.00
51. Deering,				12	50.00		0	0	0	0	1	0	20	....	20	35	40	0.00	5.00
52. Wakefield,	Geo. O. Jenness,	July 1,	1879	12	150.00	1¼	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	12	42	90	70	18.00	75.00
53. Wilmot,	J. H. Larry,	Jan. 1,	1879	12	100.00	12	3	2	4	0	0	0	35	2	37	110	80	11.72	4.00
54. Wolfeboro', North,	R. M. Mateer,	May 1,	1879	4	70.00	3½	1	1	0	0	0	0	26	5	31	65	20	8.00	0.00
							69	52	50	43	35	14	1857	376	2251	4235	3230	$288.69	$10,602.15

*Unite with Stow and Fryeburg, Me.
†Unite with McIndoes Falls, Vt.
‡Unite with Gilead, Me.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1878–9.

L. D. STEVENS, *Treasurer, in account with*
THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

	DR.
To balance from last year's account,	$1,975.88
Donations from churches and individuals,	3,580.10
Donations from New-Hampshire Cent Institution,	2,351.96
Legacies,	2,877.52
Donations for the American Home Missionary Society,	840.16
Legacies for the American Home Missionary Society,	50.00
Income from Permanent Fund,	2,773.10
Receipts from miscellaneous sources,	58.02
	$14,506.74
	CR.
By amount paid aided churches and missionaries,	$6,051.16
" " American Home Missionary Society,	2,890.16
" " Secretary, as salary,	1,500.00
" " Secretary, for traveling expenses, postage, etc.,	198.83
" " Treasurer, as salary,	150.00
" " Treasurer, for postage, expressage, stationery, and other incidental expenses,	35.96
" " R. W. Musgrove, for printing 1,500 copies of Annual Report, $73.10; for 4,675 Cent Reports, $51.00; for 300 copies of extra report, $2.40; for postage and expressage, $6.70,	133.20
" " Treasuress of N. H. Cent Inst. as salary,	35.00
" " Loan and Trust Savings, as interest on a loan of $1,200,	30.00
balance carried to next year's account,	3,482.43
	$14,506.74

This certifies that we have examined the foregoing account of Lyman D. Stevens, Treasurer of the New-Hampshire Home Missionary Society for the year ending August 15, 1879, and find the same supported by proper vouchers, correctly cast, and there remains a balance in his hands of three thousand, four hundred, eighty-two dollars and forty-three cents.

JOHN KIMBALL,
GEO. E. JENKS, } *Auditors.*

Concord, Aug. 21, 1879.

REPORT OF INVESTED FUNDS.

TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Treasurer respectfully submits the following report of the invested funds of the New-Hampshire Home Missionary Society, and of thh New-Hampshire Cent Institution, at the close of the present fiscal year, Aug. 15, 1879.

INVESTED FUNDS OF THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

2 shares Northern Telegraph Company,	$200.00
2 shares Lake National Bank,	200.00
20 shares Concord Railroad stock,	1,600.00
U. S. 4 per cent. Bonds, registered in name of the Society,	70,100.00
U. S. 4 per cent. Bonds, not registered,	800.00
2 shares Concord Gas Light Company,	160.00
	$73,060.00

The $70,100 is the legacy from Mrs. Betsey Whitehouse, late of Pembroke, deceased, and $800 is a legacy from Stephen Brown, late of Deerfield, deceased.

L. D. STEVENS, *Treas. N. H. Home Miss. Soc.*

RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS.

Atkinson—Cong. Church and Society, $17; Rev. Jesse Page, for A. H. M. S., $10 ..... $27.00

Amherst—Cong. Church and Society, $47.01; for A. H. M. S., $54.88 ..... 101.89

Alstead Center—First Cong. Church and Society 17.00

Acworth—Cong. Church and Society, $17.81; Ladies' Charitable Society, in full to constitute Mrs. J. Hayward life member, $17 ..... 34.81

Antrim—A Friend 47.00

Brookline—Cong. Church and Society 13.80

Bristol—Cong. Church and Society 33.65

Bennington—Cong. Church and Society for A. H. M. S. 54.23

Barnstead Parade—Cong. Church and Society 3.00

Bow—Legacy of Miss Sarah Brown for A. H. M. S. 50.00

Berlin—Cong. Church and Society 2.50

Cornish Center—Cong. Ch. and Soc'y, in part to constitute ——— life member... 15.00

Concord—A Friend, for A. H. M. S., $60; 1st Cong. Church and Society, $13.50; to constitute Mrs. S. Seavey, Miss D. L. Merrill and Mr. A. G. Stevens life members, $101.33; same society and S. S., to pay debt of A. H. M. S., $70; South Cong. Church and Society, $161.71; for A. H. M. S., $10; ladies of the society for debt of A. H. M. S., $43; Mr. M. R. Emerson, for A. H. M. S., $2; Miss M. F. Stevens' S. S. class, for A. H. M. S., $1.70 ..... 463.24

Candia—Cong. Church and Society 20.02

Claremont—Miss Annie M. Wells, of Wellington, Cape Good Hope, for A. H. M. S., $10; Cong. Church and Society, $53.17; G. N. Farwell, $5; Miss Fairbanks' S.S. box, $1; two ladies, $5 and $10, respectively; S. S., for debt of A. H. M. S., $30; Ladies' Asso., for debt of A. H. M. S., $10; G. N. Farwell, for A. H. M. S., $10; E. L. Goddard, to constitute Mrs. E. L. Goddard life member of A. H. M. S., $30, 164.17

Campton—Cong. Church and Society 12.35

Canterbury—Cong. Church and Society 8.00

Canaan—Mrs. Sarah Harris, $5; Mrs. F. S. Morgan, $5 ..... 10.00

Chester—Cong. Church and Society 25.00

Derry—First Cong. Church and Society 37.86

Deerfield—Cong. Church and Society, $13.10; legacy of Stephen Brown, $100; legacy of Miriam Brown, $347.81 ..... 460.91

Dover—First Cong. Church and Society, $80; Miss Clarissa Cushing, of same society, $25 ..... 105.00

Dalton—Cong. Church and Society 12.50

Exeter—2d Cong. Church and Society, $48.83; 1st Cong. Church and Society, $43, 91.83

Epping—Cong. Church and Society, $28; for A. H. M. S., $6; a Friend, $1.10, 35.10

East Alstead—First Cong. Church and Society, $2; 2d Cong. Church and Soc'y, for debt of A. H. M. S., $4 ..... 6.00

East Andover—Cong. Church and Society 25.00

Fisherville—Cong. Church and Society, $29.21; J. C. Martin, $5	$34.21
Fitzwilliam—Cong. Church and Society	14.00
Franklin—Cong. Church and Society, $25; legacy of Annie W. Noyes, $2000	2025.00
Farmington—Cong. Church and Society	22.38
Gilsum—Cong. Church and Society, $30.25; for A. H. M. S., $11	41.25
Gilmanton Iron Works—Peter Dudley	5.00
Goffstown—Cong. Church and Society, $23.23; Mrs. H.W. Hadley, for A.H.M.S., $5	34.23
Greenville—Cong. Church and Society	6.00
Groton—Parker Blood, for A. H. M. S	100.00
Gorham—Cong. Church and Society	2.50
Greenland—Cong. Church and Society	17.00
Hanover—Dartmouth Religious Society	237.12
Hanover Center—Cong. Church and Society	12.00
Hopkinton—Cong. Church and Society	41.00
Hollis—Cong. Church and Society, to constitute John C. Jewett life member of A. H. M. S., $40; Legacy of Ruth Farley, $200	240.00
Hampton—Cong. Church and Society	20.90
Hillsboro' Bridge—Cong. Church and Society, for A. H. M. S	15.00
Haverhill—Cong. Church and Society	33.65
Hampstead—Cong. Church and Society, $9.77; for debt of A. H. M. S., $25.23	35.00
Hillsboro' Center—Cong. Church and Society, for A. H. M. S	20.00
Henniker—Cong. Church and Society, $30; for A. H. M. S., $60	90.00
Jaffrey—First Cong. Church and Society	7.20
Keene—First Cong. Church and Society, $110.70; 2d Cong. Ch. and Soc., $28.88; Dea. E. Pond, $1; E. H. Clarke, $5	145.58
Kensington—Cong. Church and Society	5.60
Lee—Cong. Church and Society	7.00
Lebanon—Cong. Church and Society	73.00
Lyndeboro'—Cong. Church and Society	6.25
Laconia—Cong. Church and Society	23.19
Lempster—Friends of Missions	5.00
Mason—Cong. Church and Society, for A. H. M. S	15.00
Mont Vernon—Cong. Church and Society	36.00
Milford—Cong. Church and Society	104.82
Manchester—First Cong. Church and Society, $185.11; Legacy of James French, $48.71	233.82
Marlborough—Cong. Church and Society, $23.75; for A. H. M. S., $21.41	45.16
Meriden—Cong. Church and Society, for A. H. M. S., to constitute Prof. Geo. J. Cummings life member, $20; Prof. Geo. J. Cummings for A. H. M. S., $3	23.00
Monroe—Cong. Church and Society, for A. H. M. S	4.00
Meredith Village—Cong. Church and Society	16.00
North Hampton—Cong. Church and Society	32.34
Nashua—1st Cong. Church and Society, $235.05; Pearl St. Cong. Ch. and Soc'y, $27.80; Olive St. Cong. Ch. and Society, $19.86	282.71
Newmarket—Cong. Church and Society	17.40
Northwood—A Friend, for debt of A. H. M. S., $5; Cong. Ch. and Soc'y, $10.21; Rev. Ezra B. Pike, to constitute himself life member, $30	45.21
Newport—Legacy of Fred. Chapin, and interest, $121; Cong. Church and Soc'y, $145.76	266.76
North Conway—Estate of Abby K. Wentworth	10.00
New Ipswich—Cong. Church and Society	4.77
Newington—Cong. Church and Society	16.00
Orford—Cong. Church and Society	37.47

Orfordville—Cong. Church and Society	$6.00
Plymouth—Cong. Church and Society, $56.82; two members of same society, for debt of A. H. M. S., $11	67.82
Pelham—Cong. Church and Society, $32.25; for A. H. M. S., $35; Mrs. H. C. Tyler, for A. H. M. S., $15	82.25
Portsmouth—North Cong. Church and Society	125.00
Plaistow, and North Parish, in Haverhill, Mass.—Cong. Church and Society, to constitute Mrs. Geo. T. D. Putnam, Wm. D. Brickett and John Bradley, life members of A. H. M. S.	100.00
Pittsfield—Cong. Church and Society, $22; for A. H. M. S., $36.31	58.31
Raymond—Cong. Church and Society	12.29
Rindge—Cong. Church and Society, $13.64; Mrs. R. B. Davis, $5	18.64
Rochester—Cong. Church and Society	52.00
Sandwich—First Cong. Church and Society	9.50
Salem—Cong. Church and Society	8.00
Swanzey—Cong. Church and Society	6.50
South Newmarket—Cong. Church and Society, for A. H. M. S.	8.35
Salisbury—Mrs. Sarah Greeley	1.00
Stratham—Cong. Church and Society, $17.28; S. S. of same society, for S. S. work of A. H. M. S., $10	27.28
South Weare—Union Cong. Church and Society	7.50
Sullivan—Dea. H. E. Wilson and wife	2.00
Sanbornton—Cong. Church and Society	22.00
Tilton—Cong. Church and Society	22.00
Tilton and Northfield—Cong. Church and Society	25.00
Tamworth—Cong. Church and Society, for A. H. M. S.	17.00
Wakefield—Cong. Church and Society	15.00
Webster—Cong. Church and Society, in part to constitute Nancy E. Couch life member, $26; Henry L. Dodge, to constitute Henry L. Baughman life member of A. H. M. S., $30	56.00
Wolfeborough—1st Cong. Church and Society	38.50
West Concord—Cong. Church and Society	10.15
Warner—Cong. Church and Society	13.31
Warren—Legacy from E. B. Eaton	50.00
Winchester—Cong. Church and Society, $8.96; to constitute Clarissa A. Buffam life member of A. H. M. S., $30	38.96
Wilmot—Students in School of Practice	9.20
Walpole—Cong. Church and Society	44.84
Wentworth—Cong. Church and Society	6.00

MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES.

Dividend of deposit in National Savings Bank	43.28
Rockingham County Conference of Churches	7.86
Sullivan County Conference of Churches	6.88

LIST OF PERSONS MADE LIFE MEMBERS DURING THE YEAR ENDING AUG. 15, 1879.

Acworth—Mrs. Joseph Hayward.
Concord—Mrs. Shadrach Seavey.
" Miss Dora L. Merrill.
" Arthur G. Stevens.
Claremont—Mrs. E. L. Goddard.
" Miss Dickey.
" Miss Sophronia Pierce.
" Miss Luvilla Fairbanks.
Meriden—Prof. Geo. J. Cummings.
Northwood—Rev. Ezra B. Pike.
Plaistow—William D. Brickett.
" Mrs. Geo. T. D. Putnam.
" Charles H. Harriman.
" John Bradley.
Webster—Nancy E. Couch.

LIST OF PERSONS MADE LIFE MEMBERS OF A. H. M. S. IN 1879 TO AUG. 15.

Hollis—John C. Jewett.
Webster—Henry L. Baughman.
Winchester—Clarissa A. Buffam.

TABLE

Showing the places where the Anniversaries of the Society have been held, including the Place of its organization, in 1801, *and the whole amount raised in the State for Home Missions each year.*

YEARS. PLACES.	AMOUNT.
1801—Hopkinton,	$51.63
1802—Concord,	386.62
1803—Concord,	309.46
1804—Concord,	406.09
1805—Hopkinton,	602.84
1806—Hopkinton,	611.49
1807—Hopkinton,	600.66
1808—Concord,	1,290.48
1809—Concord,	735.92
1810—Concord,	1,288.27
1811—Dunbarton,	953.92
1812—Hollis,	1,520.58
1813—Plymouth,	932.27
1814—Hanover,	2,638.90
1815—Keene,	2,807.98
1816—Concord,	2,633.36
1817—Exeter,	2,395.05
1818—Dover,	2,427.10
1819—Haverhill,	2,537.21
1820—Portsmouth,	1,712.56
1821—New Ipswich,	1,851.07
1822—Pembroke,	1,755.18
1823—Acworth,	1,846.20
1824—Londonderry (Derry),	2,637.44
1825—Lyme,	1,869.09
1826—Durham,	1,872.07
1827—Rindge,	3,263.65
1828—Salisbury,	1,951.83
1829—Newport,	2,416.71
1830—Portsmouth,	2,479.86
1831—Concord,	2,371.34
1832—Amherst,	5,820.75
1833—Keene,	5,067.66
1834—Meredith Bridge,	4.843.24
1835—Plymouth,	7,795.24
1836—Exeter,	4,942.02

YEARS. PLACES.	AMOUNT.
1837—Claremont,	$5,506.14
1838—New Ipswich,	5,396.81
1839—Lyme,	4,616.37
1840—Hampton,	4,596.83
1841—Francestown,	5,187.03
1842—Dover,	5.361.11
1343—Nashua,	5,730.36
1844—Concord, South Church,	7.582.66
1845—Portsmouth,	5,365.19
1846—Newport,	9,027.15
1847—Meredith Bridge (Laconia),	6,050.51
1848—Manchester, 1st Church,	7,720.75
1849—Plymouth,	7,010.12
1850—Great Falls,	7,368.54
185 —Acworth,	9,948.47
1852—Pittsfield,	7,896.50
1853—Littleton,	10,461.21
1854—Derry,	8,417.53
1855—Concord, First Church,	7,992.34
1856—Exeter First Church,	6,690.47
1857 Keene	8,148.55
1858—Hampton,	6,732,26
1859—Boscawen,	8,076.99
1860—Claremont,	7,258.60
1861—Portsmouth,	8,148.68
1862—Concord South,	7,182.49
1863—Haverhill,	8,606.50
1864—Manchester,	7,556.61
1865—Newport,	8,589.13
1866—Dover,	20,064.51
1867—Nashua,	12.068.17
1868—Concord, North Church,	11,810.04
1869—Keene,	22.932.55
1870—Milford,	9,598.92
187 —Rochester,	14,600.79
1872—Bristol,	11,962.15
1873—Laconia,	11,825.23
1874—Exeter	17,326.70
1875—Claremont,	11,345.18
1876—Littleton,	19,492.80
1877—Great Falls,	11,293.70
1878—Concord,	13,525.33
1879—Lebanon,	17,344.44
Total amount raised in seventy-eight years,	$488,672.38

NAMES

OF CONGREGATIONAL AND PRESBYTERIAN MINISTERS, RESIDENT IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE, IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, WITH THE POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF EACH, AND WITH THE NUMBER OF THE PAGE ON WHICH EACH NAME OCCURS IN THE STATISTICS.

The *first* column of figures gives the page where may be found the connection with an Association of Ministers; the *second*, the page where the relation to a particular church is given. Names preceded by a * are those neither serving churches, nor connected with Associations.

Name.	*Post Office.*	*Asso.*	*Church.*
Abbott, Ephraim E. P.,	Newport,	42	54
Aiken, James,	Haverhill,	41	
Aiken, John F.,	Chichester,		48
*Alden, Lucius,	Newcastle,		
Aldrich, Jeremiah K.,	Nashua,	40	
Allen, Fred L.,	Walpole,	41	58
Alvord, Frederick,	Nashua,	40	54
Austin, Franklin D.,	Nashua,		52
Austin, Lewis A.,	Meriden,	42	56
Ayer, Franklin D.,	Concord,	40	50
Bard, George I.,	Meredith Vill.,	39	54
Barker, Nathaniel,	Wakefield,	40	
*Bartlett, Frederick H.,	Bristol,		
Bartlett, Samuel C., D.D.,	Hanover,	43	
Bassett, John F.,	Temple,	41	58
*Batchelder, John S.,	Stratham,		
Beckwith, George A.,	Warner,		58
Benedict, Arthur J.,	Gorham,		48, 52
Benson, Almon,	Center Harbor,	39	
Berry, Augustus,	Pelham,	39	56
Bittinger, John Q.,	Haverhill,	41	52
Blake, Jeremiah, M.D.,	Gilmanton I.W.,	42	
Blakely, Quincy,	Campton,	39	48
*Blanchard, Silas M.,	Hudson,		
Borchers, Ernest F.,	Barrington,	41	48
Bowker, Samuel,	Salem,	41	56
Brickett, Harry,	Hillsboro' Br.,	42	52
Burr, Austin H.,	Franklin,	40	50
Butler, Edward P.,	Lyme,	41	54
Buxton, Edward,	Webster,	40	58
Byington, Swift,	Exeter,	41	50
Carr, William O.,	Barnstead,	42	48
Chandler, Frederic D.,	Kensington,	41	52
Chapin, George F.,	Alstead,	41	48, 52

Name.	*Post Office.*	*Asso.*	*Church.*
Chapman, Jacob,	Exeter,	41	
Childs, Alexander C.,	So. Newmarket,	41	56
Christie, George W.,	Salmon Falls,	41	56
Clark, John,	Plymouth,	39	
Clark, Sumner,	Wolfeboro',	41	
Clark, William, D.D.,	Amherst,	40	
Cobleigh, Nelson F.,	*McIndoesFalls, Vt.*		54
Cochrane, Warren R.,	Antrim,	42	48
Cogswell, Eliot C.,	Northwood,		50
Colburn, Henry H.,	Stoddard,	41	56
Colby, John,	Fitzwilliam,	41	50
Colwell, John W.,	Pittsfield,	40	56
Conant, Liba,	Bristol,	39	
Connell, David,	Woodstock,	39	
Cook, Jonathan B.,	Hebron,	40	
*Cook, Silas P.,	Keene,		
Cutler, William H.,	Hampton,	52	
Curtice, Corban,	Tilton,	40	
Darling, Walter E.,	Farmington,		50
Davis, Franklin,	Tamworth,	41	58
Davis, Josiah G., D.D.,	Amherst,	40	48
Davis, Wm. V. W.,	Manchester,	39	54
DeBuchanne, James,	Dover,		50
Doldt, James,	Canterbury,	40	48
Dowden, William H.,	East Jaffrey,		52
Downs, Charles A.,	Lebanon,	42	
Drake, Samuel S.,	Sullivan,	41	
Dunlap, George H.,	Charlestown,		48
Dustan, George,	Peterborough,	42	56
Dutton, John M.,	Lebanon,	43	52
Eastman, Edward P.,	Ossipee Center,		56
*Ela, Benjamin,	Merrimack,		
*Emerson, Rufus,	Salem,		
Fiske, Albert W.,	Fisherville,	40	
Fullerton, Jeremiah E.,	Laconia,		52
Garretson, Ferdinand V. D.,	Fisherville,		48, 50
Gerould, Samuel L.,	Goffstown,	39	50
†Goldsmith, Charles F.,	Union,		
Goodale, David W.,	Troy,	41	58
Goodhue, Daniel,	Pembroke,	40	
Goodwin, Daniel,	Mason,	40	
Goodyear, George,	Temple,	40	
Greeley, Edward H.,	Concord,	40	
Greeley, Stephen S. N.,	Gilmanton Center,		50
Grimes, Frank J.,	Westmoreland,		58

†Acting pastor of a prospective church.

Name.	Post Office.	Asso.	Church.
Hadley, James B.,	Campton,	39	
*Hadley, Willis A.,	Tilton,		
Haines, Thomas V.,	North Hampton,	41	54
Haley, Frank,	Seabrook,	41	56
*Hall, Jeffries,	Chesterfield,		
Hamilton, Henry H.,	Hinsdale,		52
Harmon, Elijah,	Winchester,	41	58
Harrington, Charles E.,	Concord,	40	50
Haskell, Ezra,	Dover,	41	
Hayward, Silvanus,	Gilsum,	41	50
Hoffman, John H.,	Henniker,	40	52
Holman, Morris,	Antrim,	42	
Holmes, James,	Bennington,	42	48
Houghton, Charles E.,	Auburn,		48
Jackson, James T.,	Cornish Flat,	42	50
Jackson, William C.,	Brentwood,	41	48
Jaggar, Edwin L.,	Bristol,		48
Jenness, George O.,	Wakefield,	41	58
*Jennison, Edwin,	Winchester,		
Jesup, Henry G.,	Hanover,	43	
Jewett, William R.,	Concord,	40	
Johnson, Albion H.,	Acworth,		48
Kendall, Henry A.,	East Concord,	40	
Ketcham, Henry,	Wolfeboro',		58
Kinne, George W.,	Bath,	42	
Knowlton, Francis B.,	Orford,	41	56
*Labaree, Benjamin, D.D.,	Charlestown,		
Lamb, William A.,	Milford,		54
Lamprey, Henry P.,	W. Stewartstown,		56
Larry, John H.,	Wilmot,		58
Leach, Giles,	Meredith Vill.,	39	
Leach, Joseph A.,	Keene,	41	52
*Lee, Samuel,	New Ipswich,		
Leeds, Samuel P., D.D.,	Hanover,	43	52
Lees, John W.,	Lee,	42	52
Libbey, Isaac H.,	Chatham,		48
Livingston, Wm. W.,	Jaffrey,		52
Lougee, Samuel F.,	Danbury,		50
Lowell, John N.,	Milton,	42	54
Manning, Abel,	Goffstown,	42	
Marden, Augustus L.,	Piermont,	41	56
McClenning, Daniel,	East Concord,	40	
Melvin, Charles T.,	Atkinson,	39	48
Merriam, George F.,	Greenville,	40	52
Merrill, John L.,	Marlboro',	41	54
Moody, Howard,	East Andover,	40	48

Name.	*Post Office.*	*Asso.*	*Church.*
Moore, Nathaniel S.,	Colebrook,		48
Norcross, S. Girard,	North Conway,		50
Noyes, Daniel J., D.D.,	Hanover,	43	
Otis, Israel T.,	Exeter,	42	
Packard, Charles,	Windham,	39	58
Page, Jesse,	Atkinson,	39	
Palmer, Charles M.,	Meriden,	42	56
Pannell, Cary H. H.,	Bethlehem,		48
Parker, Francis,	Enfield,		50
Parker, Henry E., D.D.,	Hanover,	43	
Parker, Horace,	New Ipswich.		54
Parsons, John,	Exeter,	42	
Partridge, Samuel H., M.D.,	Greenfield,	42	52
Patten, William A.,	Kingston,	42	
Peabody, Albert B.,	Stratham,	42	56
Perkins, Frederic T.,	Tilton,	40	58
Perkins, George A.,	Raymond,		56
Perry, Cyrus M.,	West Concord,	40	50
Phillips, Daniel,	Bath,		48, 54
Pike, Ezra B., M.D.,	Northwood,		54
Pratt, Theodore C.,	Orfordville.	41	54
*Pulsifer, Daniel,	Danbury,		
Quick, Abram J.,	Rochester,	42	56
Rand, William A.,	South Seabrook,	42	56
Rand, William H., M.D.,	New Hampton,	39	
Reed, William C.,	Candia,		48
Rich, Alonzo B., D.D.,	West Lebanon,	43	52
Richardson, Cyrus,	Keene,	41	52
Richardson, Gilbert B.,	East Alstead,	41	48
Riggs, Ezra J.,	Rindge,		56
Roberts, Thomas E.,	Keene,	41	
Robie, Edward,	Greenland,	42	52
Rodgers, Levi,	Claremont,	42	48
Roke, Elijah J.,	Newington,		54
Rood, Heman, D.D.,	Hanover,	43	
Runnels, Moses T.,	Sanbornton,	39	56
Sargent, Frank D.,	Brookline,	40	48
Saunderson, Henry H.,	Swanzey,	41	56
Sawin, Theophilus P.,	Lyndeboro',		54
*Sawyer, Daniel,	Hopkinton,		
Scott, Charles,	Litchfield,		54
Scott, Darius B.,	Hollis,		52
Scott, George H.,	Plymouth,	39	56
Selden, Edward G.,	Manchester,	39	54
Shattuck, Amos F.,	Hollis,	40	
*Smith, Francis P.,	Ossipee,		

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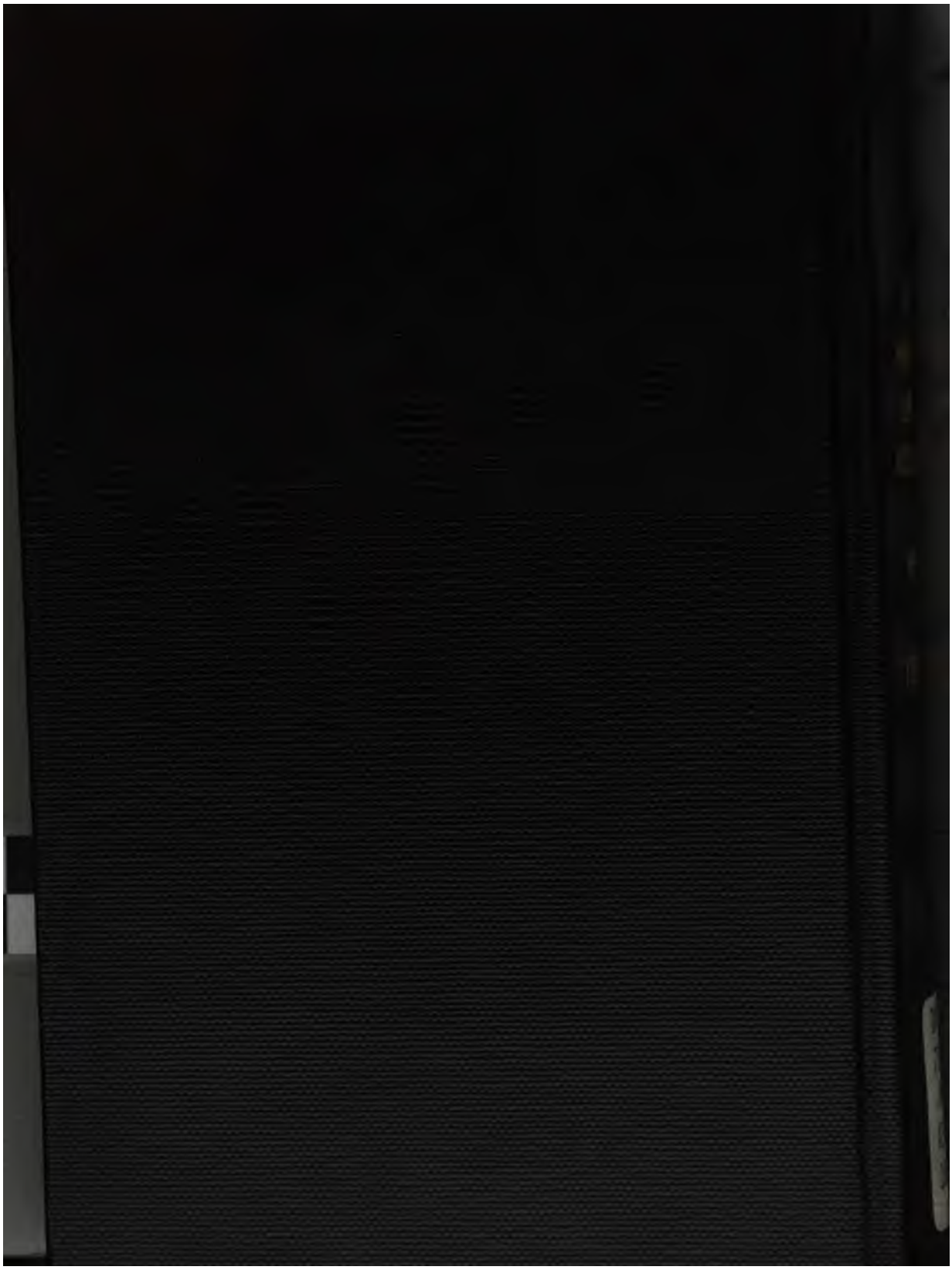
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